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Section 1.—Population and Vital Statistics.

AREA AND POPULATION.

State or Territory.	Area— Square Miles.	Population (Excluding full-blood Aborigines).						Capital Cities, Estimated 31st Dec., 1949.
		Census—30th June, 1947.			Estimated—30th September, 1950.			
		Males.	Females.	Persons.	Males.	Females.	Persons.	
N.S.W. . .	309,433	1,492,211	1,492,627	2,984,838	1,631,713	1,612,884	3,244,597	1,549,590
Victoria . .	87,884	1,013,867	1,040,834	2,054,701	1,110,658	1,109,455	2,220,113	1,288,000
Q'land . .	670,500	567,471	538,944	1,106,415	607,528	579,794	1,187,322	429,530
S. Aust. . .	380,070	320,031	326,042	646,073	352,504	353,015	705,519	407,000
W. Aust. . .	975,920	258,076	244,404	502,480	290,514	275,004	565,518	294,000
Tasmania . .	26,215	129,244	127,834	257,078	144,099	138,215	282,314	(a) 83,600
N. Terr. . .	523,620	7,378	3,490	10,868	9,712	5,755	15,467	(b) 2,538
A.C.T. . .	939	9,092	7,813	16,905	10,599	10,144	20,743	(a) 19,000
Australia	2,974,581	3,797,370	3,781,988	7,579,358	4,157,327	4,084,266	8,241,593	..

(a) Estimated 30th June, 1950.

(b) Census 30th June, 1947.

ESTIMATED POPULATION, EXCLUDING FULL-BLOOD ABORIGINES.(a)

31st Dec.—	New South Wales.	Victoria.	Queens-land.	South Australia.	Western Australia.	Tasmania.	Nor. Terr.	A. C. T.	Australia.
1901	1,375,455	1,209,900	506,721	359,330	193,601	175,233	4,673	..	3,824,913
1911	1,699,376	1,339,893	623,123	419,392	293,923	192,925	3,233	61,921	4,573,786
1921	2,131,690	1,550,727	765,724	501,742	336,548	218,676	3,759	2,078	5,510,944
1931	2,566,314	1,803,570	929,726	577,079	433,686	228,464	4,846	8,921	6,552,606
1941	2,813,056	1,946,425	1,038,471	606,366	473,213	242,135	9,769	14,163	7,143,598
1945	2,932,998	2,015,107	1,084,864	630,882	490,088	250,280	10,546	15,432	7,430,197
1946	2,962,392	2,039,769	1,096,831	640,418	496,973	254,570	10,642	16,386	7,517,981
1947	3,007,582	2,061,689	1,110,821	653,065	508,881	268,515	10,991	17,084	7,638,628
1948	3,062,344	2,106,315	1,132,565	665,927	522,330	275,142	12,494	17,763	7,794,880
1949	3,175,935	2,164,331	1,160,300	687,873	544,815	284,245	13,850	19,533	8,050,882

(a) Adjusted in accordance with Census results.

(b) Prior to 1911, part of New South Wales.

(c) A more reliable estimate of normal population is at 30th June, 1948 (18,778 persons).

ESTIMATED MEAN POPULATION, EXCLUDING FULL-BLOOD ABORIGINES.

Year.	New South Wales.	Victoria.	Queens-land.	South Australia.	Western Australia.	Tasmania.	Nor. Terr.	A. C. T.	Australia.
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Year ended 30th June.

1939	2,735,400	1,872,287	1,008,207	595,131	466,896	237,637	5,932	11,965	6,933,455
1947	2,963,056	2,039,348	1,097,303	640,352	497,006	254,553	10,676	16,381	7,518,675
1948	3,006,481	2,069,167	1,112,722	652,285	508,860	261,781	11,310	17,596	7,640,202
1949	3,063,973	2,113,286	1,134,738	665,139	522,184	268,259	12,847	18,434	7,798,860
1950	3,171,940	2,170,289	1,163,084	686,825	545,786	277,395	14,247	20,025	8,049,591

Year ended 31st December.

1938	2,722,378	1,865,251	1,001,996	593,242	463,808	236,328	5,804	11,534	6,900,341
1946	2,945,220	2,025,475	1,090,238	635,127	492,771	252,192	10,568	15,883	7,467,474
1947	2,985,073	2,053,648	1,105,360	646,294	502,978	257,781	10,891	16,903	7,578,928
1948	3,029,573	2,089,999	1,123,416	658,239	514,843	264,604	12,188	18,172	7,711,034
1949	3,113,977	2,138,761	1,147,523	674,056	533,083	272,649	13,476	19,113	7,912,638

NOTE.—The population estimates from 1939 until the Census of 30th June, 1947, include surviving members of the fighting forces according to the State in which they resided prior to their enlistment, and irrespective of whether they were within Australia or overseas, but exclude members of Allied Services, prisoners of war and internees from overseas. As from 30th June, 1947, the population figures include defence personnel in Australia according to their actual location and are exclusive of members of the forces overseas.

ESTIMATED INCREASE OF POPULATION.

State and Territories.	1947.	1948.	1949.	Twelve months ended September.	
				1949.	1950.
NATURAL INCREASE (EXCESS OF BIRTHS OVER DEATHS).					
	(a)				
New South Wales	40,949	36,831	39,448	38,994	40,191
Victoria	25,924	24,274	24,882	24,296	27,329
Queensland	18,242	17,396	17,587	17,491	18,431
South Australia	10,102	9,122	9,669	9,373	10,825
Western Australia	8,151	8,246	8,721	8,542	9,090
Tasmania	4,777	4,451	4,721	4,585	4,785
Northern Territory	211	207	254	232	297
Australian Capital Territory	560	610	719	688	828
Total	108,916	101,137	106,001	104,201	111,776

NET MIGRATION (EXCESS OF IMMIGRATION OVER EMIGRATION).

New South Wales	4,017	17,931	74,143	60,532	65,255
Victoria	3,854	20,352	33,134	25,514	40,498
Queensland	4,425	4,348	10,148	8,069	12,879
South Australia	2,419	3,740	12,277	8,129	16,422
Western Australia	3,363	5,203	13,764	13,942	16,155
Tasmania	9,087	2,176	4,382	4,555	4,796
Northern Territory	128	1,296	1,102	980	1,026
Australian Capital Territory	124	69	1,051	766	123
Total	10,611	55,115	150,001	122,487	157,154

NOTE.—Minus sign (—) denotes excess of Emigration over Immigration.

TOTAL ESTIMATED INCREASE.

	(b)				
New South Wales	45,190	54,762	113,591	99,526	105,446
Victoria	21,920	44,626	58,016	49,810	67,827
Queensland	13,990	21,744	27,735	25,560	31,310
South Australia	12,647	12,862	21,946	17,502	27,247
Western Australia	11,908	13,449	22,485	22,484	25,245
Tasmania	13,945	6,627	9,103	9,140	9,581
Northern Territory	349	1,503	1,356	1,212	1,323
Australian Capital Territory	698	679	1,770	1,454	951
Total	120,647	156,252	256,002	226,688	268,930

(a) Excludes 139 deaths of defence personnel January–June, 1947.

(b) Includes adjustment for deaths of defence personnel and for unrecorded movement of population disclosed by the Census of 30th June, 1947.

POPULATION AND VITAL STATISTICS—SUMMARY, AUSTRALIA.

Period.	Marriages.	Births.	Deaths.	Natural Increase. (a)	Net Migration. (b)	Total Increase. (c)	Population at end of Period.
Year—							
1937	59,448	119,131	64,496	54,635	5,203	61,079	6,871,492
1938	62,411	120,415	66,451	53,964	9,137	64,417	6,935,909
1939	64,249	122,891	69,147	53,744	13,891	69,003	7,004,912
1940	77,889	126,347	68,384	57,963	13,400	72,674	7,077,586
1941	75,148	134,525	71,176	63,349	5,184	66,012	7,143,598
1942	86,060	136,708	75,191	61,517	6,166	57,498	7,201,096
1943	67,673	149,295	74,486	74,809	1,271	68,562	7,269,658
1944	68,201	153,344	69,596	83,748	— 2,183	77,366	7,347,024
1945	62,822	160,560	70,231	90,329	— 2,629	83,173	7,430,197
1946	79,496	176,379	74,661	101,718	— 15,148	87,784	7,517,981
1947	76,457	182,384	73,468	108,916	10,611	120,647	7,638,628
1948	74,902	177,976	76,839	101,137	55,115	156,252	7,794,880
1949	72,999	181,261	75,260	106,001	150,001	256,002	8,050,882
Quarter ended—							
30th September, 1949	15,450	47,405	22,219	25,186	35,671	60,857	7,972,663
31st December, 1949	19,823	46,613	17,858	28,755	49,464	78,219	8,050,882
31st March, 1950	19,258	47,478	16,997	30,481	44,970	75,451	8,126,333
30th June, 1950	19,699	46,696	18,932	27,764	31,442	59,206	8,185,539
30th September, 1950	16,633	48,433	23,657	24,776	31,278	56,054	8,241,593

(a) Excess of births over deaths. For the period September, 1939 to June, 1947, excess of births over civilian deaths only.

(b) Excess of arrivals over departures. Excludes troop movements for the period September, 1939 to June, 1947.

(c) Includes natural increase and net migration together with adjustments for deaths of defence personnel and unrecorded movement of population between July, 1933 and June, 1947.

MARRIAGES, BIRTHS AND DEATHS.

MARRIAGES, BIRTHS AND DEATHS.							
State or Territory.	Marriages.	Births.			Deaths.		
		Males.	Females.	Total.	Males.	Females.	Total.
QUARTER ENDED 30TH SEPTEMBER, 1950.							
New South Wales	6,513	9,322	8,801	18,123	5,520	4,092	9,612
Victoria ..	4,472	6,432	6,159	12,591	3,462	3,119	6,581
Queensland ..	2,290	3,719	3,620	7,339	1,762	1,229	2,991
South Australia ..	1,497	2,246	2,284	4,530	1,263	982	2,245
Western Australia	1,177	1,864	1,814	3,678	846	558	1,404
Tasmania ..	603	942	875	1,817	401	366	767
Northern Territory	34	56	51	107	19	4	23
Australian Capital Territory ..	47	128	120	248	17	17	34
Australia ..	16,633	24,709	23,724	48,433	13,290	10,367	23,657

NINE MONTHS ENDED 30TH SEPTEMBER, 1950.

New South Wales	22,089	27,524	26,202	53,726	13,506	10,249	23,755
Victoria ..	14,750	19,074	18,026	37,100	8,867	8,085	16,952
Queensland ..	7,697	11,286	10,795	22,081	4,731	3,229	7,960
South Australia ..	4,911	6,585	6,210	12,795	2,817	2,265	5,082
Western Australia	4,002	5,396	5,091	10,487	2,261	1,490	3,751
Tasmania ..	1,883	2,800	2,586	5,386	1,022	894	1,916
Northern Territory	99	159	155	314	66	9	75
Australian Capital Territory ..	159	371	347	718	51	44	95
Australia ..	55,590	73,195	69,412	142,607	33,321	26,265	59,586

State or Territory.	1938.	1947.	1948.	1949.	Nine months ended September	
					1949.	1950.

MARRIAGES—NUMBER.

New South Wales ..	24,579	30,172	30,164	28,757	21,009	22,089
Victoria ..	17,113	20,437	20,035	20,066	14,425	14,750
Queensland ..	8,853	10,999	10,125	10,234	7,565	7,697
South Australia ..	5,489	6,668	6,704	6,247	4,597	4,911
Western Australia	4,153	5,282	5,186	4,951	3,609	4,002
Tasmania ..	2,082	2,584	2,428	2,422	1,744	1,883
Northern Territory	67	124	110	130	87	99
Australian Capital Territory	75	191	150	192	140	159
Australia ..	62,411	76,457	74,902	72,999	53,176	55,590

Marriages, Births and Deaths—continued.

State or Territory.	1938.	1947.	1948.	1949.	Nine months ended September.	
					1949.	1950.

MARRIAGE-RATES—PER 1,000 OF MEAN POPULATION.

New South Wales	9.03	10.11	9.96	9.23	(a) 9.00	(a) 9.13
Victoria	9.17	9.95	9.59	9.38	8.99	8.93
Queensland	8.84	9.95	9.01	8.92	8.77	8.67
South Australia	9.25	10.32	10.18	9.27	9.11	9.35
Western Australia	8.95	10.50	10.07	9.29	9.03	9.56
Tasmania	8.81	10.02	9.18	8.88	8.63	8.99
Northern Territory	11.54	11.39	9.03	9.65	8.41	8.63
Australian Capital Territory	6.50	11.30	8.25	10.05	9.66	10.21
Australia	9.04	10.09	9.71	9.23	8.96	9.05

(a) Equivalent annual rates.

BIRTHS—NUMBER.

New South Wales	47,319	69,398	67,234	68,812	51,638	53,726
Victoria	30,344	47,366	46,099	46,873	34,539	37,100
Queensland	18,992	28,358	27,858	27,748	21,099	22,081
South Australia	9,410	16,317	15,870	16,042	11,331	12,795
Western Australia	9,141	12,874	12,931	13,511	9,980	10,487
Tasmania	4,907	7,140	6,979	7,110	5,207	5,386
Northern Territory	102	276	280	346	264	314
Australian Capital Territory	200	655	725	819	590	718
Australia	120,415	182,384	177,976	181,261	134,648	142,607

BIRTH-RATES—PER 1,000 OF MEAN POPULATION.

New South Wales	17.38	23.25	22.19	22.10	(a) 22.11	(a) 22.21
Victoria	16.27	23.06	22.06	21.92	21.53	22.46
Queensland	18.95	25.65	24.80	24.18	24.45	24.87
South Australia	15.86	25.25	24.11	23.80	22.45	24.36
Western Australia	19.71	25.60	25.12	25.35	24.98	25.06
Tasmania	20.76	27.70	26.38	26.08	25.77	25.70
Northern Territory	17.57	25.34	22.97	25.68	25.51	27.36
Australian Capital Territory	17.34	38.75	39.90	42.85	40.69	46.09
Australia	17.45	24.06	23.08	22.91	22.69	23.23

(a) Equivalent annual rates.

DEATHS (a)—NUMBER.

New South Wales	26,105	28,449	30,403	29,364	22,410	23,755
Victoria	18,955	21,442	21,825	21,991	16,838	16,952
Queensland	9,201	10,116	10,462	10,161	7,822	7,960
South Australia	5,539	6,215	6,748	6,373	4,774	5,082
Western Australia	4,234	4,723	4,685	4,790	3,613	3,751
Tasmania	2,288	2,363	2,528	2,389	1,801	1,916
Northern Territory	69	65	73	92	68	75
Australian Capital Territory	60	95	115	100	76	95
Australia	66,451	73,468	76,839	75,260	57,402	59,586

(a) Excludes, for the period September, 1939, to June, 1947, deaths of defence personnel and of internees and prisoners of war from overseas.

Marriages, Births and Deaths—continued.

State or Territory.	1938.	1947.	1948.	1949.	Nine months ended September.	
					1949.	1950.
DEATH-RATES—PER 1,000 OF MEAN POPULATION.						
New South Wales	9.59	9.53	10.04	9.43	(a) 9.60	(a) 9.82
Victoria	10.16	10.44	10.44	10.28	10.50	10.26
Queensland	9.18	9.15	9.31	8.85	9.06	8.97
South Australia	9.34	9.62	10.25	9.45	9.46	9.68
Western Australia	9.13	9.39	9.10	8.99	9.04	8.96
Tasmania	9.68	9.17	9.55	8.76	8.91	9.14
Northern Territory	11.89	5.97	5.99	6.83	6.57	6.53
Australian Capital Territory	5.20	5.62	6.33	5.23	5.24	6.10
Australia	9.63	9.69	9.96	9.51	9.67	9.71

(a) Equivalent annual rates.

DEATHS OF CHILDREN UNDER 1 YEAR OF AGE.

New South Wales	1,980	2,069	2,037	1,878	1,396	1,480
Victoria	1,038	1,245	1,103	1,026	779	751
Queensland	784	874	779	686	543	556
South Australia	287	396	472	444	324	315
Western Australia	309	398	331	357	256	281
Tasmania	195	195	193	170	129	138
Northern Territory	6	12	10	13	9	15
Australian Capital Territory	8	13	17	13	10	18
Australia	4,607	5,202	4,942	4,587	3,446	3,554

INFANTILE MORTALITY—RATE PER 1,000 LIVE BIRTHS.

New South Wales	41.84	29.81	30.30	27.29	27.03	27.55
Victoria	34.21	26.28	23.93	21.89	22.55	20.24
Queensland	41.28	30.82	27.96	24.72	25.74	25.18
South Australia	30.50	24.27	29.74	27.68	28.59	24.62
Western Australia	33.80	30.92	25.60	26.42	25.64	26.80
Tasmania	39.74	27.31	27.65	23.91	24.77	25.62
Northern Territory	58.82	43.48	35.71	37.57	34.09	47.77
Australian Capital Territory	40.00	19.85	23.45	15.87	16.95	25.07
Australia	38.26	28.52	27.77	25.31	25.59	24.92

MIGRATION—AUSTRALIA.

Figures to 30th June, 1933, have been adjusted in accordance with the results of the 1933 Census. Figures from 1st July, 1933 are as recorded.

Period.	Total Arrivals.			Total Departures.			Excess of Arrivals over Departures.
	Males.	Females.	Persons.	Males.	Females.	Persons.	
1921-25 ..	289,695	188,357	478,052	172,236	122,550	294,786	183,266
1926-30 ..	266,593	203,887	470,480	193,336	147,437	340,773	129,707
1931-35 ..	124,207	115,116	239,323	134,883	115,326	250,209	- 10,886
1936-40(a)	161,774	159,538	321,312	140,901	137,283	278,184	43,128
1941-45(a)	35,422	28,503	63,925	30,097	26,019	56,116	7,809
1946-50(a)	398,507	303,413	701,920	180,779	168,057	348,8	353,084
1938 ..	39,910	38,018	77,928	34,206	34,585	68,791	9,137
1945(a) ..	8,881	6,495	15,376	8,764	9,241	18,005	- 2,629
1946(a) ..	17,782	17,108	34,890	23,081	26,957	50,038	- 15,148
1947(a) ..	39,865	27,903	67,768	31,289	25,868	57,157	10,611
1948 ..	66,321	49,402	115,723	33,797	26,811	60,608	55,115
1949 ..	132,648	100,487	233,135	42,705	40,429	83,134	150,001
1950 ..	141,891	108,513	250,404	49,907	47,992	97,899	152,506

(a) Excludes troop movements September, 1939 to June, 1947.

NOTE.—Minus sign (—) denotes excess of departures over arrivals.

MIGRATION—AUSTRALIA—continued.

Permanent New Arrivals and Australian Residents Departing Permanently Classified according to Nationality and Racial Origin.

Nationality and Racial Origin.	Permanent New Arrivals.(a)				Australian Residents Departing Permanently.(a)			
	Quarter ended September, 1950.	Quarter ended December, 1950.	1949.	1950.	Quarter ended September, 1950.	Quarter ended December, 1950.	1949.	1950.
NATIONALITY.(b)								
British	15,392	16,999	68,797	69,341	4,690	5,007	17,227	19,829
Foreign—								
American (U.S.)	294	293	933	1,085	96	114	325	356
Austrian	82	103	648	339	4	1	20	11
Chinese	154	223	466	540	3	14	185	22
Czechoslovak	1,231	978	4,104	5,034	1	7	4	14
Dutch	2,736	4,759	1,315	11,167	18	15	92	67
Estonian	159	363	3,088	1,210	..	2	1	3
French	191	128	437	592	19	19	67	75
German	421	652	1,597	1,486	8	10	32	40
Greek	409	422	1,684	1,716	11	5	45	66
Hungarian	1,074	1,548	5,631	5,379	..	2	1	7
Italian	3,112	3,497	10,503	13,005	29	27	109	105
Latvian	656	1,754	10,593	5,405	2	5	1	10
Lithuanian	185	340	6,003	1,557	6	2	3	14
Polish	4,004	7,183	28,729	31,913	2	9	62	37
Russian	330	465	9,387	1,691	7	10	19	36
Ukrainian	900	954	(c)	5,220	2	1	(c)	4
Yugoslav	2,693	2,826	7,826	10,680	..	4	55	4
Other	1,334	2,014	5,986	7,180	34	52	209	155
Total	35,357	45,501	167,727	174,540	4,932	5,306	18,457	20,855

RACIAL ORIGIN.

European	35,095	45,184	166,680	173,400	4,904	5,256	18,116	20,709
Asian	260	302	1,011	1,093	16	37	319	102
African .. .. .	..	2	4	4	..	3	2	9
Polynesian	2	13	32	43	12	10	20	35
Total	35,357	45,501	167,727	174,540	4,932	5,306	18,457	20,855

(a) Except in the case of Australian troops and dependants, who are classified as temporary migrants irrespective of period of proposed stay in Australia or abroad and are therefore excluded from the table above, permanent migration refers to persons intending residence for one year or longer—in Australia in the case of arrivals and abroad in the case of departures.

(b) A detailed classification of migrants according to "Nationality" was commenced for the first time in July, 1948. Corresponding particulars for previous periods are available only for "British" and total "Alien" nationalities as shown above.

(c) Included under "Russian". Separate figures for Ukrainians are available only as from July, 1949.

MIGRATION—AUSTRALIA—continued.

Permanent Arrivals and Departures classified according to the Country of Last Permanent Residence or Country of Future Permanent Residence.

Country of Last Permanent Residence of Arrivals and Country of Future Permanent Residence of Departures.(a)	Permanent New Arrivals.				Australian Residents Departing Permanently.			
	Quarter ended September, 1950.	Quarter ended December, 1950.	1949.	1950.	Quarter ended September, 1950.	Quarter ended December, 1950.	1949.	1950.
British—								
Great Britain	11,804	13,732	53,613	52,494	2,841	3,101	8,860	11,476
Canada	168	125	443	560	95	149	345	453
Cyprus	163	26	888	719	4	4	6	14
India, Ceylon and Pakistan	379	421	1,616	1,603	34	82	351	285
Malta	711	548	3,759	4,313	55	57	47	146
New Guinea	84	112	284	338	368	275	1,390	1,344
New Zealand	881	871	3,223	3,823	358	557	1,961	2,034
Papua	68	59	167	263	323	303	1,383	1,314
Union of South Africa ..	142	118	377	620	79	53	299	234
Other	794	758	2,528	4,433	233	243	1,454	1,110
Total, British Countries	15,194	16,770	66,898	69,166	4,390	4,824	16,096	18,410
Foreign—								
Austria	b 446	b 1,752	b 6,895	b 4,683	1	1	8	7
France	404	359	1,270	1,387	50	53	109	182
Germany	b 10,824	b 14,693	b 52,791	b 57,247	6	9	25	32
Greece	304	241	1,437	1,875	13	3	78	123
Italy	3,621	4,260	12,991	16,583	105	48	413	616
Netherlands	2,196	4,470	1,145	9,597	15	6	50	59
Poland	15	7	6,012	1,702	1	..	1	3
Yugoslavia	21	146	1,435	701	..	3	90	4
Other European(c) ..	326	1,037	5,567	3,954	22	39	96	167
China	158	238	2,285	618	7	..	179	13
Indonesia	571	427	270	1,607	13	9	91	47
Egypt	371	230	1,805	1,580	11	12	33	37
United States of America..	435	394	1,403	1,588	218	244	732	777
Polynesian Islands ..	29	33	118	154	36	23	128	144
Other	442	444	5,405	2,093	44	32	328	234
Total, Foreign Countries	20,163	28,731	100,829	105,374	542	482	2,361	2,445
GRAND TOTAL ..	35,357	45,501	167,727	174,540	4,932	5,306	18,457	20,855

(a) Except in the case of Australian troops and their dependants, who are included throughout under "Australia" (see following table) both as regards country of future permanent residence and country of last permanent residence, "permanent" residence means residence of one year or longer.

(b) Mainly displaced European persons.

(c) Includes unspecified European countries.

MIGRATION—AUSTRALIA—continued.

Temporary Arrivals and Departures classified according to the Country of Last Permanent Residence or Country of Future Permanent Residence.

Country of Last Permanent Residence of Arrivals and Country of Future Permanent Residence of Departures.(a)	Australian Residents Returning and Temporary Visitors Arriving.				Australian Residents Departing Temporarily and Temporary Visitors Departing.			
	Quarter ended September, 1950.	Quarter ended December, 1950.	1949.	1950.	Quarter ended September, 1950.	Quarter ended December, 1950.	1949.	1950.
Australia.. ..	7,010	10,946	28,116	32,172	4,913	6,429	25,351	31,413
Other British—								
Great Britain	1,617	2,001	6,941	8,396	2,072	1,984	8,264	8,849
Canada	67	111	334	414	80	124	433	493
India, Ceylon and Pakistan	329	449	1,360	1,523	171	282	897	993
New Guinea	427	578	1,706	1,931	311	273	1,249	1,314
New Zealand	3,830	4,870	16,004	18,564	4,875	5,411	18,405	21,954
Papua	414	510	1,380	1,748	218	332	930	1,228
Union of South Africa	83	118	431	497	168	133	433	569
Other	877	1,131	3,876	4,702	896	1,175	3,572	4,221
Total, Other British Countries	7,644	9,768	32,032	37,775	8,791	9,714	34,183	39,621
Foreign—								
France	29	76	178	216	39	60	170	250
Germany	16	20	74	77	18	17	38	58
Greece	11	1	32	25	8	6	39	28
Italy	13	32	115	114	37	40	146	192
Netherlands	168	169	177	589	119	189	72	536
Yugoslavia	4	2	27	13	2	2	23	6
Other European	110	103	331	471	96	70	239	374
China	51	108	673	348	89	128	757	467
Indonesia	81	143	334	431	57	54	312	220
Egypt	16	14	87	67	26	14	75	68
United States of America	448	515	1,626	1,924	534	597	1,872	2,298
Polynesian Islands	172	332	1,199	1,118	209	314	1,125	1,093
Other	112	136	407	524	94	111	275	441
Total, Foreign Countries	1,231	1,651	5,260	5,917	1,328	1,602	5,143	6,010
GRAND TOTAL	15,885	22,365	65,408	75,864	15,032	17,745	64,677	77,044

(a) Except in the case of Australian troops and their dependants, who are included under "Australia" both as regards country of future permanent residence and country of last permanent residence, "permanent" residence means residence of one year or longer.

Section II.—Production. PRINCIPAL CROPS—AUSTRALIA.

AREA OF CROPS.

(Acres.)

Season.	Grain.			Hay.	Sugar-cane.	Total Area of Crops.
	Wheat.	Oats.	Maize.			
1938-39 ..	14,346,380	1,784,205	324,146	3,250,260	368,592	23,497,780
1945-46 ..	11,425,384	1,949,047	235,729	2,757,236	336,960	20,426,473
1946-47 ..	13,179,550	1,728,008	259,738	2,005,758	324,393	21,076,585
1947-48 ..	13,880,296	2,105,234	222,748	1,970,187	344,914	22,271,532
1948-49 ..	12,583,483	1,769,759	181,958	1,579,511	383,501	20,635,767
1949-50(a) ..	12,240,307	1,747,552	194,052	1,605,240	398,224	20,604,522

(a) Subject to revision.

TOTAL PRODUCTION.

Season.	Grain.			Hay.	Sugar-cane.	Cane Sugar (94 N.T.).
	Wheat.	Oats.	Maize.			
	Bushels.	Bushels.	Bushels.	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.
1938-39 ..	155,368,621	15,554,735	7,056,642	3,321,161	5,678,894	820,086
1945-46 ..	142,409,556	25,774,113	5,729,252	3,492,975	4,718,040	665,881
1946-47 ..	117,262,132	15,565,559	5,807,632	2,357,186	4,026,935	551,854
1947-48 ..	220,116,317	40,696,992	6,168,342	3,007,758	4,418,247	605,254
1948-49 ..	190,702,613	23,601,403	5,187,625	2,292,284	6,707,530	943,052
1949-50(a) ..	218,221,630	27,421,000	6,313,000	2,437,000	6,849,000	939,931

(a) Subject to revision.

WHEAT FOR GRAIN : AREA, PRODUCTION, AND AVERAGE YIELD.

Season.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.	A.C.T.	Australia.
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AREA.

(Acres.)

1938-39 ..	4,650,872	2,748,362	442,017	3,080,401	3,412,818	9,849	2,061	14,346,380
1946-47 ..	4,474,894	3,501,135	247,996	2,518,948	2,425,780	7,539	3,258	13,179,550
1947-48 ..	5,043,017	3,227,162	462,239	2,374,873	2,760,446	7,776	4,783	13,880,296
1948-49 ..	4,038,447	2,995,705	607,750	2,063,034	2,867,517	6,867	4,163	12,583,483
1949-50(a) ..	4,011,744	2,828,273	600,013	1,896,324	2,894,020	5,473	4,460	12,240,307
1950-51(b) ..	3,361,000	2,800,000	660,000	1,840,000	3,200,000	5,000	2,000	11,868,000

PRODUCTION.

(Bushels.)

1938-39 ..	59,898,000	18,104,369	8,583,736	31,674,418	36,843,600	205,263	59,235	155,368,621
1946-47 ..	15,682,230	48,970,908	704,835	27,906,001	23,800,000	139,235	58,923	117,262,132
1947-48 ..	95,226,795	46,962,385	10,684,563	32,524,422	34,500,000	118,207	99,945	220,116,317
1948-49 ..	64,703,574	49,063,560	14,317,422	26,136,346	36,250,000	155,820	75,891	190,702,613
1949-50(a) ..	81,939,000	57,433,835	11,778,000	28,351,860	38,500,000	127,294	91,641	218,221,630
1950-51(b) ..	44,000,000	51,000,000	9,000,000	30,800,000	38,500,000	110,000	35,000	183,445,000

AVERAGE YIELD PER ACRE.

(Bushels.)

1938-39 ..	12.88	6.59	19.42	10.28	10.79	20.84	28.74	10.83
1946-47 ..	3.50	13.99	2.84	11.08	9.81	18.47	18.09	8.90
1947-48 ..	18.88	14.55	23.11	13.69	12.50	15.20	20.90	15.86
1948-49 ..	16.02	16.38	23.56	12.67	12.64	22.69	18.23	15.15
1949-50(a) ..	20.42	20.31	19.63	14.95	13.30	23.26	20.55	17.83
1950-51(b) ..	13.09	18.21	13.64	16.74	15.16	22.00	17.50	15.46

(a) Subject to revision.

(b) Forecast.

Principal Crops—Australia—continued.

TOTAL AREA OF WHEAT GROWN FOR ALL PURPOSES.

(ACRES.)

Season.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.	A.C.T.	Australia.
1938-39..	5,222,529	3,032,509	498,984	3,344,264	3,613,342	13,694	2,358	15,727,680
1945-46..	4,213,431	3,365,558	489,269	2,407,253	1,963,138	11,082	2,366	12,452,097
1946-47..	4,772,978	3,566,489	301,971	2,662,150	2,555,323	12,749	3,849	13,875,509
1947-48..	5,355,169	3,279,182	153,984	2,486,505	2,865,326	11,909	5,266	14,517,341
1948-49..	4,242,969	3,033,395	660,875	2,159,218	2,961,409	10,173	4,566	13,072,605
1949-50(a)	4,173,957	2,867,390	669,000	2,005,907	2,984,379	9,325	4,659	12,714,617

(a) Subject to revision.

NUMBER OF PRINCIPAL LIVE STOCK.

Mar.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tasmania.	N. Terr. (a)	A.C.T.	Australia.
HORSES.									
1939	531,355	343,828	(a)444,521	(a)195,834	(a)143,674	(a)30,458	33,191	1,195	1,724,056
1946b	403,645	232,473	367,357	115,949	88,180	24,863	31,883	1,048	1,265,398
1947b	379,774	227,164	343,172	109,274	80,746	23,925	30,019	1,101	1,195,175
1948b	376,043	221,454	335,581	100,619	74,537	23,125	32,318	973	1,164,660
1949b	357,764	213,090	324,707	94,071	68,521	22,207	33,197	943	1,114,500
1950b	342,479	200,143	317,261	82,617	59,166	21,197	32,904	968	1,056,735

CATTLE.

1939	2,811,884	1,697,295	a 6,097,089	(a)318,897	(a)767,680	(a)262,407	899,472	7,057	12,861,781
1946b	3,116,834	1,827,087	6,542,210	374,096	833,567	216,306	960,039	7,867	13,878,006
1947b	2,983,093	2,060,061	5,945,285	423,980	811,949	220,119	972,990	9,169	13,426,646
1948b	3,129,740	2,174,203	5,975,460	445,287	815,610	244,107	991,429	8,748	13,784,584
1949b	3,252,752	2,224,543	5,991,797	461,086	864,131	266,419	1,052,811	10,071	14,123,610
1950b	3,440,461	2,230,948	6,304,778	464,141	864,936	274,740	1,048,875	11,161	14,640,040

SHEEP.

1939	48,876,663	17,007,352	a23,158,569	a9,936,586	a9,177,531	a2,625,690	29,901	245,540	111,057,832
1946b	44,076,000	14,655,277	18,943,762	6,786,538	9,765,983	1,925,604	18,561	224,680	96,396,405
1947b	43,105,000	16,598,490	16,084,340	7,958,619	9,787,002	1,933,332	28,005	227,994	95,722,782
1948b	46,065,000	17,931,173	16,742,629	9,055,237	10,443,798	2,086,528	10,058	215,227	102,558,650
1949b	50,404,000	19,170,312	16,498,957	9,365,713	10,872,540	2,160,009	25,791	238,110	108,735,432
1950b	53,298,000	19,161,043	17,582,152	9,477,026	10,923,167	2,170,329	25,725	253,546	112,890,988

PIGS.

1939	377,344	252,462	(a) 325,326	(a) 71,292	(a) 82,922	(a) 45,317	355	573	1,155,591
1946b	432,612	271,887	415,411	119,986	137,872	46,915	407	619	1,425,709
1947b	358,417	290,450	340,150	134,033	101,719	47,407	208	627	1,273,011
1948b	365,171	271,492	373,102	100,343	93,180	45,149	680	566	1,254,683
1949b	375,212	223,823	407,322	71,427	80,689	36,996	384	468	1,196,321
1950b	333,198	212,901	391,836	69,523	78,832	35,841	419	423	1,122,973

(a) December, previous year.

(b) As at 31st March.

WOOL (AS IN THE GREASE) PRODUCED.

('000 lb.)

Season.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust. (a)	Tasmania.	Nor. Terr.	A.C.T.	Australia.
1938-39..	437,141	165,829	a 179,459	102,888	78,802	17,519	35	1,909	983,582
1945-46..	431,549	152,398	173,249	73,604	86,986	16,338	155	1,960	936,239
1946-47..	432,621	197,076	144,820	93,020	90,255	16,643	305	2,038	976,778
1947-48..	422,260	191,004	143,290	103,676	95,410	15,326	305	1,767	973,038
1948-49..	463,208	195,405	147,767	105,460	99,429	16,846	305	1,977	1,030,397
1949-50(b)	515,043	215,889	153,396	106,394	97,750	16,959	405	2,123	1,107,959

(a) For year ended previous 31st December. (b) Subject to revision. During the year ended 30th June, 1950, receipts of first-hand wools into brokers' stores plus wool exported on skins and wool exported for sale overseas totalled 1,155.4 million lb. as in the grease.

PRODUCTION OF MILK AND MILK PRODUCTS.

Year.	New South Wales.	Victoria.	Queensland.	South Australia.	Western Australia.	Tasmania.	Australian Capital Territory.	Australia. (a)
WHOLE MILK FOR ALL PURPOSES. (⁰ 000 gal.)								
1938-39 ..	311,384	377,881	347,336	72,521	45,562	34,140	350	1,189,174
1945-46 ..	278,885	375,639	269,390	79,370	43,004	30,714	467	1,077,469
1946-47 ..	254,094	445,536	207,465	93,944	46,038	32,080	483	1,079,640
1947-48 ..	295,370	428,569	272,791	92,498	50,363	32,936	578	1,173,105
1948-49 ..	291,915	462,446	277,152	91,319	50,612	38,541	659	1,212,644
1949-50(e) ..	307,115	486,955	281,233	87,951	49,198	40,445	636	1,253,533

BUTTER.

(Tons.)

1938-39 ..	53,045	58,291	70,369	9,249	7,254	5,284	8	203,500
1945-46 ..	34,947	51,148	45,790	8,277	5,884	4,314	3	150,363
1946-47 ..	28,743	60,239	33,642	9,841	6,236	4,603	4	143,308
1947-48 ..	35,744	57,576	47,046	9,615	7,240	4,829	5	162,055
1948-49 ..	35,175	61,137	47,781	9,290	7,232	5,209	6	165,830
1949-50(b) ..	36,812	63,499	48,196	8,249	6,702	4,974	..	168,432

CHEESE.

(Tons.)

1938-39 ..	3,343	8,729	7,039	8,239	436	1,518	..	29,304
1945-46 ..	2,218	14,957	12,025	10,035	814	1,189	..	41,238
1946-47 ..	2,031	17,646	7,720	12,768	1,022	1,163	..	42,350
1947-48 ..	2,642	16,178	9,646	11,530	1,023	459	..	41,478
1948-49 ..	2,492	18,376	9,394	11,654	876	410	..	43,202
1949-50(b) ..	2,806	21,292	9,050	10,584	703	388	..	44,823

CONDENSED, POWDERED, ETC., MILK PRODUCTS: AUSTRALIA.

(Tons.)

Year.	Condensed Milk (Sweetened and Un-sweetened).	Concentrated Whole Milk.	Powdered Milk.					Infants' and Invalids' Foods (including Malted Milk and Milk Sugar).	Total.
			Full Cream.		Skim.		Butter Milk and Whey.		
			Spray.	Roller.	Spray.	Roller.			
1938-39 ..	15,519	(c) 1,659	10,712	(d)	(d)	(d)	(c) 556	(c) 1,259	c 29,705
1945-46 ..	42,997	9,138	11,839	2,663	1,440	703	1,636	8,851	79,267
1946-47 ..	41,257	9,466	11,580	2,587	2,233	1,617	2,805	8,452	79,997
1947-48 ..	45,595	13,444	12,376	3,639	1,940	2,439	3,411	9,452	92,296
1948-49 ..	47,773	13,177	14,246	5,522	2,354	3,762	3,019	10,104	99,957
1949-50(e) ..	49,886	13,245	14,826	7,245	3,088	5,278	2,678	10,333	106,579

(a) Excludes Northern Territory.

(b) Subject to revision, excludes farm production.

(c) Incomplete.
revision

(d) Included with Powdered Milk, Full Cream, Spray.

(e) Subject to revision

PRODUCTION OF MEAT (BONE-IN WEIGHT).

(Tons.)

Year.	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.	N. Terr.	A.C.T.	Australia
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BEEF (including Veal).

1938-39 ..	172,001	113,985	207,007	24,731	27,733	10,946	2,235	572	559,210
1945-46 ..	134,384	75,417	137,236	21,154	23,578	8,273	6,225	377	406,644
1946-47 ..	139,877	95,555	190,192	24,383	26,278	8,197	2,736	543	487,761
1947-48 ..	161,889	105,087	226,498	27,167	29,522	8,070	3,054	710	561,997
1948-49 ..	180,339	118,016	202,518	29,580	32,763	9,793	3,282	1,035	577,326
1949-50(a) ..	182,920	126,614	213,894	32,545	36,364	11,823	3,416	1,258	608,834

MUTTON.

1938-39 ..	72,131	77,445	18,950	18,495	14,362	4,004	5	356	205,748
1945-46 ..	82,059	53,800	23,132	16,724	15,868	5,666	36	516	197,801
1946-47 ..	68,609	57,922	17,411	17,264	15,763	4,994	51	556	182,570
1947-48 ..	58,992	51,731	17,240	17,618	15,286	4,251	59	551	165,652
1948-49 ..	59,870	61,763	16,692	21,314	16,625	4,319	83	604	181,270
1949-50(a) ..	63,184	80,500	16,265	23,362	15,947	4,784	57	764	204,863

LAMB.

1938-39 ..	28,535	53,685	1,506	15,557	7,852	2,325	..	84	114,544
1945-46 ..	40,219	32,815	1,781	9,265	6,302	2,243	..	236	92,861
1946-47 ..	41,488	53,762	1,245	14,310	6,782	2,168	..	261	120,016
1947-48 ..	43,826	56,879	1,424	15,771	8,834	2,655	..	263	129,652
1948-49 ..	54,468	52,975	1,748	18,138	8,247	3,255	..	282	139,113
1949-50(a) ..	55,869	66,822	1,738	16,607	6,856	4,103	..	369	152,364

PORK.

1938-39 ..	9,617	10,769	11,844	2,037	1,092	1,623	8	43	37,033
1945-46 ..	6,335	9,595	9,363	4,072	4,749	986	17	3	35,120
1946-47 ..	6,364	7,153	9,011	2,978	3,446	1,039	17	18	30,020
1947-48 ..	6,448	7,138	7,134	2,954	2,234	1,391	28	34	27,361
1948-49 ..	9,831	8,623	12,254	2,358	2,649	1,442	27	56	37,240
1949-50(a) ..	8,985	6,552	12,550	1,807	1,875	1,208	41	85	33,103

BACON AND HAM (Cured weight).

1938-39 ..	11,794	7,370	8,492	2,673	1,894	1,015	..	..	33,238
1945-46 ..	17,409	9,377	10,699	5,239	4,608	1,255	..	..	48,587
1946-47 ..	15,830	10,998	9,983	5,069	4,638	1,150	..	..	47,668
1947-48 ..	14,175	11,159	10,142	4,884	4,232	1,317	..	..	45,099
1948-49 ..	13,302	10,204	9,412	3,788	3,756	1,122	..	..	41,584
1949-50(a) ..	12,357	7,928	9,982	3,340	3,436	996	..	..	38,039

TOTAL IN TERMS OF FRESH MEAT.

1938-39 ..	299,975	271,939	252,045	64,829	53,880	20,421	2,248	1,055	966,392
1945-46 ..	232,111	185,693	187,561	59,074	57,408	19,050	6,278	1,132	805,307
1946-47 ..	277,867	299,349	231,435	65,829	58,577	17,992	2,804	1,378	885,201
1947-48 ..	290,433	236,011	268,089	70,052	61,632	18,158	3,141	1,558	947,074
1948-49 ..	322,599	255,254	246,012	76,542	65,392	20,335	3,392	1,977	991,503
1949-50(a) ..	327,764	291,270	258,024	78,863	65,715	23,273	3,514	2,476	1,050,899

(a) Subject to revision.

QUANTITIES OF PRINCIPAL MINERALS PRODUCED—AUSTRALIA.

Year.	Gold.	Black Coal.	Pig-iron. (a)	Metallic Contents of Ores and Concentrates Produced.(b)				
				Copper.	Lead.	Silver.	Tin.	Zinc.
	Fine oz.	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.	Oz.	Tons.	Tons.
1939 ..	1,645,697	13,535,142	1,104,605	20,560	280,003	15,320,116	3,067	217,256
1946 ..	824,480	13,881,691	906,283	17,755	183,835	9,045,280	2,127	171,910
1947 ..	937,654	14,881,217	1,143,132	13,123	196,623	9,527,140	2,445	182,258
1948 ..	885,507	14,780,543	1,235,574	12,368	216,955	10,057,519	1,874	190,469
1949 ..	889,057	14,097,976	1,044,957	13,462	213,491	9,849,213	1,973	181,998
1950(c)	853,467	16,521,285	1,083,754	(d)	(d)	(d)	(d)	(d)

(a) Year ended May.

(b) Source : Australian Mines and Metals Association.

(c) Subject to revision.

(d) Not yet available.

VALUE OF PRINCIPAL MINERALS PRODUCED.(a)

(£.)

Year.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tasmania.	N. Terr.	Australia.
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GOLD.

1939 ..	848,985	1,533,899	1,428,598	38,895	11,796,085	192,596	163,414	16,002,472
1945 ..	461,303	661,430	676,712	2,970	5,012,225	139,573	76,811	7,031,024
1946 ..	344,497	936,262	675,164	6,760	6,640,075	165,334	105,376	8,873,468
1947 ..	539,008	911,681	777,924	6,770	7,575,574	161,986	118,563	10,091,506
1948 ..	561,415	738,100	749,655	21,912	7,156,912	138,889	163,482	9,530,275
1949 ..	638,994	835,848	930,626	25,512	7,858,791	152,841	369,027	10,811,639

SILVER AND LEAD.

1939 ..	3,546,440	726	1,010,856	61	32,890	291,980	..	4,882,953
1944 ..	4,068,935	1,280	14,733	309	15,807	313,618	..	4,414,632
1945 ..	4,625,665	1,622	17,788	601	22,757	259,560	..	4,927,993
1946 ..	6,999,553	2,687	836,869	224	43,860	527,937	..	8,411,130
1947 ..	10,580,658	1,910	2,866,980	1,676	48,751	829,929	..	14,329,901
1948 ..	16,668,185	2,091	3,424,396	9,862	158,466	865,920	1,407	21,130,327

COPPER.

1939 ..	105,407	..	289,927	6,612	1,373	668,561	2,243	1,074,128
1944 ..	309,900	..	1,944,747	12,115	367	633,188	1,878	2,602,195
1945 ..	305,000	..	1,500,662	11,074	364	463,294	3,811	2,284,805
1946 ..	344,682	..	648,122	..	105	716,212	6,282	1,715,403
1947 ..	290,905	..	338,508	..	6,071	1,057,825	..	1,693,309
1948 ..	377,250	..	475,548	502	2,204	881,363	7,370	1,744,237

TIN.

1939 ..	366,138	47,233	200,652	..	3,871	282,798	4,487	905,179
1944 ..	369,860	12,835	275,185	..	2,351	235,612	2,086	837,929
1945 ..	291,788	9,869	207,948	..	4,370	240,369	5,026	759,370
1946 ..	257,153	14,917	220,901	..	5,838	240,584	3,228	742,621
1947 ..	246,423	25,397	390,833	..	5,565	353,045	4,698	1,025,961
1948 ..	302,045	20,695	224,579	..	12,985	427,372	12,055	999,731

COAL (Black).

1939 ..	7,027,035	(b) 259,814	1,167,844	..	302,811	74,460	..	(b) 8,891,964
1944 ..	9,761,304	407,793	1,785,621	12,117	583,076	122,673	..	12,672,584
1945 ..	9,451,930	494,990	1,759,311	14,503	572,896	125,719	..	12,419,054
1946 ..	10,534,014	392,812	1,692,272	47,411	730,104	137,736	..	13,535,249
1947 ..	12,101,178	299,784	2,237,738	(b) 67,777	840,249	154,725	..	15,701,451
1948 ..	14,938,182	342,566	2,347,065	(b) 119,732	880,236	177,952	..	18,805,433

ALL MINERALS.

1939 ..	12,388,618	2,248,169	4,556,962	3,320,181	12,288,532	2,056,741	244,478	37,103,681
1944 ..	17,057,691	1,602,105	4,477,087	2,926,666	5,667,497	2,220,136	126,025	34,077,207
1945 ..	16,879,131	1,830,374	4,355,127	2,309,901	5,804,238	1,934,066	176,197	33,289,124
1946 ..	20,327,962	2,079,353	4,761,403	2,776,145	7,586,707	2,855,674	166,543	40,553,787
1947 ..	26,264,688	2,206,628	8,545,299	3,209,382	8,862,277	4,224,756	229,437	53,542,467
1948 ..	36,350,974	2,346,855	9,211,588	3,260,309	8,561,269	4,366,730	294,078	64,391,803

(a) Except for gold, the values shown are those published by the Mines Departments of the several States. Gold is valued in Australian currency. (b) Excludes Brown Coal produced—Victoria, 1939, £385,952; 1944, £566,444; 1945, £641,069; 1946, £706,504; 1947, £937,429; 1948, £1,187,716; South Australia, 1947, £33; 1948, £122.

ESTIMATED NET VALUE OF PRODUCTION—AUSTRALIA.

(RECORDED INDUSTRIES.)

NOTE.—Depreciation and Maintenance Costs have not been deducted.

(\$'000.)

Industry.	1938-39.	1944-45.	1945-46.	1946-47.	1947-48. (a)	1948-49. (a)
Agricultural ..	41,679	72,636	104,627	99,042	208,746	151,463
Pastoral ..	63,821	98,440	86,312	130,207	193,048	244,739
Dairying ..	33,782	46,183	49,540	49,858	60,540	67,553
Poultry ..	7,302	14,800	15,129	14,706	16,745	20,196
Bee-farming ..	123	517	413	872	737	1,509
Total Rural ..	146,707	232,576	256,021	294,685	479,816	485,460
Trapping ..	1,422	6,207	8,554	9,380	7,303	7,786
Forestry ..	7,811	11,531	12,537	14,695	17,768	20,305
Fisheries(b) ..	1,655	2,235	2,600	3,293	3,503	4,175
Mines and Quarries ..	27,375	26,831	26,288	32,486	42,581	48,352
Total Non-Rural ..	38,263	46,804	49,979	59,854	71,155	80,618
Total All Primary	184,970	279,380	306,000	354,539	550,971	566,078
Factories ..	203,416	362,284	352,323	410,862	489,296	568,416
Total All Industries	388,386	641,664	658,323	765,401	1,040,267	1,134,494

PER HEAD OF MEAN POPULATION.

(£ s. d.)

Agricultural ..	6 0 3	9 17 8	14 1 9	13 3 5	27 6 5	19 8 5
Pastoral ..	9 4 1	13 7 11	11 12 4	17 6 4	25 5 4	31 7 7
Dairying ..	4 17 5	6 5 8	6 13 4	6 12 8	7 18 6	8 13 3
Poultry ..	1 1 1	2 0 3	2 0 9	1 19 1	2 3 10	2 11 10
Bee-farming ..	0 0 4	0 1 5	0 1 1	0 2 4	0 1 11	0 3 10
Total Rural ..	21 3 2	31 12 11	34 9 3	39 3 10	62 16 0	62 4 11
Trapping ..	0 4 1	0 16 11	1 3 0	1 5 0	0 19 1	1 0 0
Forestry ..	1 2 6	1 11 5	1 13 9	1 19 1	2 6 6	2 12 1
Fisheries(b) ..	0 4 9	0 6 1	0 7 0	0 8 9	0 9 2	0 10 8
Mines and Quarries ..	3 19 0	3 13 0	3 10 9	4 6 5	5 11 6	6 4 0
Total Non-Rural ..	5 10 4	6 7 5	6 14 6	7 19 3	9 6 3	10 6 9
Total All Primary	26 13 6	38 0 4	41 3 9	47 3 1	72 2 3	72 11 8
Factories ..	29 6 9	49 5 11	47 8 4	54 12 11	64 0 11	72 17 8
Total All Industries	56 0 3	87 6 3	88 12 1	101 16 0	136 3 2	145 9 4

(a) Subject to revision.

(b) Local value.

ESTIMATED NET VALUE OF PRODUCTION—STATE DETAILS, 1948-49. (a)
(£'000.)

Industry.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.	Aust.
Agricultural	41,468	36,039	27,535	23,933	18,508	3,980	151,463
Pastoral	99,746	51,924	46,181	20,568	20,802	5,518	244,739
Dairying	20,086	22,259	16,498	5,256	2,122	1,332	67,553
Poultry	8,123	7,829	853	1,834	671	886	20,196
Bee-farming	782	247	92	276	104	8	1,509
Total Rural	170,205	118,298	91,159	51,867	42,207	11,724	485,460
Trapping	2,729	3,776	235	589	258	199	7,786
Forestry	6,561	3,940	3,804	2,104	1,791	2,105	20,305
Fisheries (b)	1,479	522	704	232	680	558	4,175
Mines and Quarries	28,198	2,172	4,143	3,597	5,873	4,369	48,352
Total Non-Rural	38,967	10,410	8,886	6,522	8,602	7,231	80,618
Total All Primary	209,172	128,708	100,045	58,389	50,809	18,955	566,078
Factories	251,199	182,760	53,540	43,668	21,174	16,075	568,416
Total All Industries	460,371	311,468	153,585	102,057	71,983	35,030	1,134,494

(a) Subject to revision.

(b) Local value.

MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES—AUSTRALIA.

Year.	(1) Factories.	(2) Hands Em- ployed. (a)	(3) Salaries and Wages Paid. (b)	(4) Value of Fuel, &c., Used.	(5) Value of Materials Used.	(6) Value of Pro- duction. (c)	(7) Value of Output.	(8) Value of Plant, Machinery, Land and Buildings.
	No.	No.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.
1938-39 ..	26,941	565,106	106,743	15,700	281,303	203,417	500,420	274,583
1941-45 ..	28,930	750,579	207,652	26,833	496,889	362,283	886,005	366,497
1945-46 ..	31,184	745,258	205,819	27,037	488,287	352,324	867,648	372,484
1946-47 ..	34,768	804,929	237,174	31,020	569,144	410,862	1,011,026	382,845
1947-48 ..	37,356	848,876	285,765	37,094	683,729	489,296	1,210,119	424,863
1948-49 ..	40,070	890,232	339,287	46,062	810,548	568,415	1,425,025	479,234

(a) Average over whole year; includes working proprietors.

(b) Excludes amounts drawn by

working proprietors.

(c) Value of production equals figures in column (7) less total of figures in columns (4) and (5).

MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES—STATE DETAILS.

Particulars.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.	Aust.
1938-39.							
1. Factories .. No.	9,464	9,250	3,087	2,067	2,129	944	26,941
2. Hands employed(a) ..	228,781	201,831	54,110	43,371	23,211	13,802	565,106
3. Salaries, wages paid(b) ..	44,606,497	36,026,542	10,887,229	8,169,350	4,573,558	2,479,886	106,743,062
4. Value of fuel, &c., used ..	7,651,627	3,999,934	1,423,549	1,017,537	1,169,268	438,006	15,699,921
5. „ materials used ..	120,501,795	82,971,608	42,596,049	20,308,797	9,603,657	5,321,540	281,303,446
6. „ production(c) .. £	90,265,891	65,996,069	19,301,475	13,678,930	8,775,586	5,398,659	203,416,610
7. „ output .. £	218,419,313	152,967,611	63,321,073	35,005,264	19,548,511	11,158,205	500,419,977
8. „ land & buildings .. £	57,353,625	42,026,245	12,299,089	8,710,700	6,813,653	3,717,102	130,920,414
9. „ plant & mchnry. .. £	62,692,956	38,626,743	18,095,415	9,749,679	8,095,064	6,402,270	143,662,127
1947-48.							
1. Factories .. No.	15,194	11,642	3,642	2,865	2,788	1,225	37,356
2. Hands employed(a) ..	363,365	278,271	76,754	73,346	35,967	21,173	848,876
3. Salaries, wages paid(b) ..	125,345,878	93,802,188	24,163,216	24,852,998	10,735,647	6,865,337	285,765,264
4. Value of fuel, &c., used ..	17,313,940	9,014,905	3,184,155	4,280,739	2,284,627	1,015,353	37,093,719
5. „ materials used ..	292,556,789	209,896,100	79,173,835	61,620,640	24,956,972	15,524,694	683,729,030
6. „ production(c) .. £	218,610,856	158,501,020	42,886,353	38,669,705	18,384,197	12,244,517	489,296,648
7. „ output .. £	528,481,585	377,412,025	125,244,343	104,571,084	45,625,796	28,784,564	1,210,119,397
8. „ land & buildings .. £	91,860,393	66,229,391	16,608,766	20,690,827	9,482,660	6,271,365	211,143,402
9. „ plant & mchnry. .. £	86,714,082	65,829,201	21,830,685	20,239,623	9,189,910	9,915,837	213,719,338
1948-49.							
1. Factories .. No.	16,087	12,702	4,083	2,927	2,925	1,346	40,070
2. Hands employed(a) ..	378,380	292,006	82,945	75,945	38,354	22,602	890,232
3. Salaries, wages paid(b) ..	146,535,642	112,410,441	29,446,634	29,510,207	12,927,830	8,456,406	339,287,160
4. Value of fuel, &c., used ..	21,611,375	11,336,502	4,085,459	5,123,290	2,745,181	1,160,015	46,061,822
5. „ materials used ..	336,913,961	252,741,001	97,044,670	75,227,229	29,198,424	19,422,419	810,547,704
6. „ production(c) .. £	251,198,845	182,760,376	53,539,674	43,667,633	21,174,228	16,074,602	568,415,358
7. „ output .. £	609,724,181	446,837,879	154,669,803	124,018,152	53,117,833	36,657,036	1,425,024,884
8. „ land & buildings .. £	101,240,784	73,383,784	18,508,165	22,217,619	10,054,598	7,334,911	232,739,861
9. „ plant & mchnry. .. £	99,812,061	76,079,598	25,756,957	22,791,991	9,800,130	12,253,470	246,494,207

(a) Average over whole year; includes working proprietors.

(b) Excludes amounts drawn by working proprietors.

(c) Value of production equals figures in line 7 less totals of figures in lines 4 and 5.

MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES—VALUE OF PRODUCTION(a)—AUSTRALIA.

	(£.)				
Class of Industry.	1938-39.	1946-47.	1947-48.	1948-49.	
I. Treatment of Non-metalliferous Mine and Quarry Products ..	5,146,151	7,656,830	9,705,764	11,251,798	
II. Bricks, Pottery, Glass, &c. ..	5,571,757	8,075,879	9,355,698	10,846,562	
III. Chemicals, Dyes, Explosives, Paints, Oils and Grease ..	12,456,370	24,491,943	28,640,650	33,554,814	
IV. Industrial Metals, Machines, Implements and Conveyances ..	62,434,973	146,395,129	181,309,282	210,854,442	
V. Precious Metals, Jewellery and Plate ..	931,085	2,208,333	2,852,022	3,436,033	
VI. Textiles and Textile Goods ..	10,917,765	26,931,448	32,080,160	35,861,749	
VII. Skins and Leather ..	3,182,881	8,612,097	9,273,381	10,360,095	
VIII. Clothing ..	16,551,031	36,845,821	43,340,155	52,236,241	
IX. Food, Drink and Tobacco ..	41,601,107	69,141,447	78,170,670	89,800,039	
X. Woodworking and Basketware ..	9,460,742	19,216,284	24,492,450	29,645,019	
XI. Furniture, Bedding, &c. ..	4,200,035	7,261,726	9,097,591	10,886,418	
XII. Paper, Stationery, Printing, Book-binding, &c. ..	14,559,073	26,121,427	29,593,069	35,304,518	
XIII. Rubber ..	2,761,075	5,549,546	6,446,148	7,675,754	
XIV. Musical Instruments ..	136,432	347,017	401,950	611,730	
XV. Miscellaneous Products ..	2,097,998	7,992,996	9,801,875	10,557,888	
XVI. Heat, Light and Power ..	11,408,135	14,013,819	14,735,783	15,532,258	
Total ..	203,416,610	410,861,742	489,296,648	568,415,358	

(a) See note (c) above.

MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES—Percentage of Each Item of Outlay on Value of Total Output, 1948-49.

(Per cent.)

Particulars.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.	Aust.
Salaries and wages(a)	24.03	25.16	19.04	23.79	24.34	23.07	23.81
Power, Fuel, &c. . .	3.54	2.54	2.64	4.13	5.17	3.16	3.23
Materials used . .	55.26	56.56	62.74	60.66	54.97	52.98	56.88
Margin for other miscellaneous expenses, charges, profits, &c. . .	17.17	15.74	15.58	11.42	15.52	20.79	16.08
Total Output	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00
Per cent. of Salaries and wages on value of Production . .	58.33	61.50	55.00	67.58	61.05	52.61	59.69

(a) Excludes amounts drawn by working proprietors.

MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES—Average Amount of Salaries and Wages paid per Employee.(a)

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Year.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.	Aust.
1938-39—Males . .	239.24	224.47	238.59	220.95	235.49	212.09	231.84
Females	103.66	108.25	96.00	86.44	99.58	93.19	103.92
1944-45—Males . .	342.98	336.03	324.60	305.39	311.36	301.54	333.03
Females	169.83	175.27	153.12	164.86	142.91	157.09	169.44
1945-46—Males . .	335.34	330.86	314.56	305.70	306.74	301.35	326.99
Females	172.65	179.26	155.85	156.05	142.62	159.02	171.88
1946-47—Males . .	355.02	349.29	322.54	331.31	315.15	323.62	345.18
Females	190.48	196.20	167.04	169.41	155.20	173.45	188.36
1947-48—Males . .	405.77	401.52	357.14	385.31	349.33	369.89	394.24
Females	215.16	222.98	191.38	199.25	173.38	202.32	213.99
1948-49—Males . .	455.88	457.85	405.20	442.11	390.29	425.40	446.20
Females	245.02	261.17	216.90	227.81	208.35	234.25	246.83

(a) Excludes working proprietors and amounts drawn by them.

MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES—Average Number of Males and Females Employed over whole year, 1948-49.

Sex.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.	Aust.
Males	282,312	208,184	68,385	61,005	31,682	18,508	670,076
Females	96,068	83,822	14,560	14,940	6,672	4,094	220,156
Masculinity(a) . .	294	248	470	408	475	452	304

(a) Number of males per 100 females.

Section III.—Building.

VALUE OF NEW BUILDINGS COMPLETED, THREE MONTHS ENDED
SEPTEMBER, 1950.

(INCLUDING ESTIMATED VALUE OF OWNER-BUILT HOUSES.)

(£'000.)

Kind of Building.	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'land.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	A.C.T.	Aust.
Houses—								
Brick, Brick Veneer, Concrete and Stone Wood (Weatherboard, &c.) ..	3,797	4,006	564	1,831	745	502	216	11,661
Fibro Cement ..	1,003	5,209	2,598	27	77	1,065	97	10,076
Other ..	3,997	560	255	443	721	43	47	6,066
	17	80	69	5	10	2	..	183
Total Houses ..	8,814	9,855	3,486	2,306	1,553	1,612	360	27,986
Flats ..	373	112	18	..	90	9	6	608
Shops with Dwellings ..	118	89	24	5	..	26	8	270
Shops without Dwellings ..	35	97	28	2	23	20	..	205
Hotels, Guest Houses, Boarding Houses, &c. ..	66	124	1	40	..	22	..	253
Factories ..	722	341	55	135	61	338	..	1,652
Other New Buildings ..	1,040	794	444	408	164	151	11	3,012
Total Other Buildings ..	2,354	1,557	570	590	338	566	25	6,000
Total New Buildings ..	11,168	11,412	4,056	2,896	1,891	2,178	385	33,986

VALUE (WHEN COMPLETED) OF NEW BUILDINGS
(INCLUDING ESTIMATED VALUE OF OWNER-BUILT HOUSES.)
(£'000.)

Period.	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'land.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	A.C.T.	Aust.
COMMENCED.								
Year 1945-46 ..	(a)	(a)	(a)	(a)	(a)	(a)	(a)	(a)
" 1946-47 ..	30,458	20,422	9,319	4,848	3,036	2,718	749	71,550
" 1947-48 ..	36,196	26,841	12,093	5,341	4,420	3,607	2,606	91,104
" 1948-49 ..	45,154	36,325	13,192	7,599	5,825	5,371	1,722	115,188
" 1949-50 ..	51,277	46,497	16,994	11,301	8,459	8,379	1,365	144,272
Three months ended—								
September, 1949 ..	11,115	9,006	3,857	2,310	1,686	1,749	358	30,081
September, 1950 ..	17,264	17,274	4,693	4,021	2,676	2,200	343	48,471

COMPLETED.

Year 1945-46 ..	9,305	5,471	3,320	1,682	974	627	112	21,491
" 1946-47 ..	17,097	11,067	7,257	2,744	2,117	1,417	310	42,009
" 1947-48 ..	24,305	17,891	10,390	4,080	3,328	2,279	509	62,782
" 1948-49 ..	33,737	27,357	12,199	6,483	4,707	3,810	757	89,050
" 1949-50 ..	40,920	34,673	13,953	9,074	5,352	5,342	1,462	110,776
Three months ended—								
September, 1949 ..	9,038	7,600	3,179	1,756	1,315	1,290	225	24,403
September, 1950 ..	11,168	11,412	4,056	2,896	1,891	2,178	385	33,986

UNDER CONSTRUCTION AT END OF PERIOD.

Year 1945-46 ..	14,614	9,817	3,164	2,387	1,571	1,403	430	33,386
" 1946-47 ..	30,041	19,333	5,337	4,774	2,872	2,759	884	66,000
" 1947-48 ..	44,461	29,573	7,232	6,170	4,452	4,146	3,013	99,047
" 1948-49 ..	59,172	41,607	8,479	7,735	6,416	5,872	3,956	133,237
" 1949-50 ..	75,006	55,729	11,805	10,519	10,022	8,989	4,269	176,339
Three months ended—								
September, 1949 ..	62,320	41,696	9,090	8,547	6,826	6,413	4,246	139,138
September, 1950 ..	83,594	62,904	12,395	11,749	11,043	9,503	4,255	195,243

(a) Not available.

NUMBER OF NEW HOUSES COMPLETED, THREE MONTHS ENDED SEPTEMBER, 1950.

(INCLUDING OWNER-BUILT HOUSES.)

Materials of Outer Walls.	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'land.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	A.C.T.	Aust.
Brick, Brick Veneer, Concrete and Stone ..	1,487	1,717	267	1,159	431	233	90	5,384
Wood (Weatherboard, &c.)	652	2,796	1,956	26	84	748	49	6,311
Fibro Cement	2,621	374	233	432	623	56	37	4,376
Other	15	43	69	7	11	1	..	146
Total	4,775	4,930	2,525	1,624	1,149	1,038	176	16,217

NUMBER OF NEW HOUSES.

(INCLUDING OWNER-BUILT HOUSES.)

Period.	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'land.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	A.C.T.	Aust.
COMMENCED.								
Year 1945-46 ..	12,900	(a)	(a)	(a)	(a)	(a)	(a)	(a)
" 1946-47 ..	17,720	12,981	8,925	3,269	2,405	1,642	323	47,265
" 1947-48 ..	19,807	14,878	9,528	3,580	3,075	2,062	393	53,323
" 1948-49 ..	21,291	15,487	9,361	4,561	3,843	2,849	534	57,926
" 1949-50 ..	22,055	21,035	10,009	6,109	5,031	3,664	389	68,292
Three months ended—								
September, 1949 ..	5,198	4,225	2,575	1,159	1,078	851	85	15,171
September, 1950 ..	6,136	6,731	2,746	2,194	1,616	968	122	20,513

COMPLETED.

Year 1945-46 ..	5,596	3,666	3,385	1,332	860	479	58	15,376
" 1946-47 ..	12,187	7,436	7,746	2,227	1,792	1,070	149	32,607
" 1947-48 ..	14,858	11,846	9,204	3,009	2,771	1,544	271	43,503
" 1948-49 ..	17,864	14,278	9,354	3,989	3,244	2,287	323	51,339
" 1949-50 ..	18,766	15,603	9,447	4,904	3,509	2,852	404	55,485
Three months ended—								
September, 1949 ..	4,657	3,694	2,229	1,087	854	620	83	13,224
September, 1950 ..	4,775	4,930	2,525	1,624	1,149	1,038	176	16,217

UNDER CONSTRUCTION AT END OF PERIOD.

Year 1945-46 ..	9,200	6,135	2,441	1,559	..	1,013	188	21,401
" 1946-47 ..	14,737	11,680	3,627	2,654	1,521	1,557	368	36,144
" 1947-48 ..	19,686	14,712	3,951	3,203	1,841	2,065	491	45,949
" 1948-49 ..	23,113	15,921	3,958	3,940	2,439	2,575	696	52,642
" 1949-50 ..	26,402	21,353	4,520	5,241	3,957	3,357	678	65,508
Three months ended—								
September, 1949 ..	23,654	16,452	4,304	4,051	2,663	2,804	697	54,625
September, 1950 ..	27,763	23,154	4,741	5,809	4,421	3,280	624	69,792

(a) Not available.

NUMBER OF NEW FLATS COMPLETED.(a)

(INDIVIDUAL FLATS.)

Period.	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'land.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	A.C.T.	Aust.
Year 1945-46 ..	10	14	16	4	2	..	..	46
" 1946-47 ..	157	86	55	..	..	21	..	319
" 1947-48 ..	557	167	41	..	..	3	..	768
" 1948-49 ..	894	368	32	6	..	25	20	1,345
" 1949-50 ..	1,075	246	16	..	101	24	32	1,494
Three months ended—								
September, 1949 ..	284	74	..	..	..	16	8	382
September, 1950 (b) ..	220	58	15	..	92	5	4	394

(a) Figures are additional to numbers of houses shown above. Each flat is counted as a separate unit, and the numbers shown relate to individual flats. Only new flats are included, i.e., the conversions of old buildings into flats are omitted. (b) In this period 466 flats were commenced, and 3,281 flats were under construction at the end of the period.

Section IV.—Oversea Trade.

Compiled from information supplied by the Department of Trade and Customs.

COMMERCE—VALUE OF DIRECT OVERSEA TRADE.

(£A'000 f.o.b.)

State or Territory.	1938-39.	1946-47.	1947-48.	1948-49.	1949-50.
IMPORTS.					
New South Wales	53,088	94,378	151,917	178,119	214,617
Victoria	40,463	76,475	120,600	145,573	184,257
Queensland	9,070	13,658	22,560	32,484	48,900
South Australia	6,670	13,609	22,954	30,457	45,755
Western Australia	6,137	9,464	17,155	22,038	34,422
Tasmania	1,292	1,812	4,282	6,256	9,352
Northern Territory	34	89	278	267	766
Total	116,754	209,485	339,746	415,194	538,069
EXPORTS.(a)					
New South Wales	45,903	116,580	134,750	176,754	216,591
Victoria	30,819	88,611	115,964	136,459	166,197
Queensland	23,652	43,195	48,312	99,122	98,703
South Australia	14,841	32,512	52,902	69,531	63,932
Western Australia	17,070	23,032	48,670	48,295	53,295
Tasmania	3,198	5,082	9,283	12,490	14,968
Northern Territory	13	17	73	22	11
Total	140,496	309,029	409,954	542,673	613,697

(a) In this table goods are shown against the State from which they were finally despatched.

EXTERNAL TRADE—AUSTRALIA—VALUE, AND VALUE PER HEAD OF POPULATION.

Period.	Total Trade.	Imports.	Exports(a).			Value per Head of Population.					
			Aust. Produce.	Other Produce.	Total.	Total Trade.	Imports.	Exports.			
								Aust. Produce.	Other Produce.	Total.	
	£A'000. f.o.b.	£A'000. f.o.b.	£A'000. f.o.b.	£A'000. f.o.b.	£A'000. f.o.b.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	
1938-39..	257,250	116,754	135,476	5,020	140,496	37 2 0	16 16 9	19 10 9	0 14 6	20 5 3	
1946-47..	518,514	209,485	304,454	4,575	309,029	68 19 1	27 17 2	40 9 9	0 12 2	41 1 11	
1947-48..	749,700	339,746	404,716	5,238	409,954	97 4 3	44 1 1	52 9 7	0 13 7	53 3 2	
1948-49..	957,867	415,194	537,570	5,103	542,673	122 16 5	53 4 9	68 18 7	0 13 1	69 11 8	
1949-50..	1,151,766	538,069	608,462	5,235	613,697	140 14 2	65 14 8	74 6 8	0 12 10	74 19 6	
1950-51 (6 months)	723,353	335,657	386,723	2,973	389,696	88 0 3	40 14 7	46 18 6	0 7 2	47 5 8	

(a) Excludes the value of stores shipped in Australian ports on board oversea ships. The values of ships' stores in £A'000 were 1938-39, £2,106; 1946-47, £4,507; 1947-48, £5,510; 1948-49, £7,815; 1949-50, £7,581; and 1950-51 (6 months), £4,603.

(£A'000 f.o.b.)

Period.	Imports.			Exports.			Excess of Exports.		
	Mer- chandise.	Specie and Bullion.	Total.	Mer- chandise.	Specie and Bullion.	Total.	Mer- chandise.	Specie and Bullion.	Total.
1938-39..	113,217	3,537	116,754	121,533	18,963	140,496	8,316	15,426	23,742
1946-47..	208,343	1,142	209,485	308,909	120	309,029	100,566	-1,022	99,544
1947-48..	338,085	1,661	339,746	404,988	4,966	409,954	66,903	3,305	70,208
1948-49..	414,056	1,138	415,194	541,103	1,570	542,673	127,047	432	127,479
1949-50..	536,124	1,945	538,069	611,653	2,044	613,697	75,529	99	75,628
1950-51 (6 months)	334,148	1,509	335,657	388,816	880	389,696	54,668	-629	54,039

NOTE.—Minus sign (—) denotes excess of imports.

CUSTOMS AND EXCISE REVENUE—AUSTRALIA.

Gross Revenue from Customs under the Sixteen Tariff Divisions and from Individual Items of the Excise Tariff and Total Revenue collected during the December quarters of 1949 and 1950, the six months ended December, 1949 and 1950 and the years ended June, 1949 and 1950.

(£A.)

Division.	December Quarter.		Six Months ended December.		Year ended June.	
	1949.	1950.	1949.	1950.	1949.	1950.
CUSTOMS.						
1. Ale, Spirits, and Beverages	414,192	539,046	750,578	989,859	1,173,699	1,473,885
2. Tobacco, and Manufactures thereof	4,954,378	5,070,837	9,407,979	9,772,520	15,555,821	18,527,405
3. Sugar	586	866	1,287	4,159	4,327	2,655
4. Agricultural Products and Groceries	319,936	377,256	637,505	794,715	1,331,330	1,555,474
5. Textiles, &c., and Attire	1,014,126	2,144,820	3,064,019	4,448,574	6,825,285	7,253,557
6. Metals and Machinery	2,358,429	2,676,467	4,451,089	5,228,569	6,347,396	9,628,207
7. Oils, Paints and Varnishes	4,373,684	5,860,202	9,255,134	11,207,302	17,391,657	19,355,025
8. Earthenware, &c.	303,961	384,292	577,993	740,847	1,106,179	1,299,144
9. Drugs and Chemicals	98,651	203,291	195,500	354,811	364,236	429,849
10. Wood, Wicker and Cane	311,424	147,633	607,245	264,972	1,016,998	1,067,211
11. Jewellery and Fancy Goods	513,338	625,377	926,128	1,289,269	1,248,691	1,914,297
12. Leather and Rubber	282,793	366,892	558,677	794,395	961,790	1,197,858
13. Paper and Stationery	113,650	145,637	252,395	342,990	555,372	520,990
14. Vehicles	2,187,141	1,827,934	3,489,307	4,080,388	4,012,523	8,914,585
15. Musical Instruments	24,999	34,272	43,124	61,999	78,879	86,327
16. Miscellaneous	324,435	515,706	770,839	1,023,713	2,060,313	1,462,510
Primage	1,393,394	2,108,656	2,840,218	4,068,339	5,885,424	6,227,492
Ships' Stores	29,425	22,950	59,152	54,110	101,107	123,676
Other Miscellaneous Receipts	41,337	58,194	85,212	119,566	418,467	405,443
Total Customs	19,964,879	23,110,328	38,573,381	45,641,097	66,439,494	81,445,590
EXCISE.						
Beer	9,343,710	10,077,252	15,689,444	18,552,852	31,817,034	33,418,664
Cigarette Papers	255,168	286,678	505,338	551,717	897,541	1,002,261
Coal	36,533	75,947	36,533	172,928		206,911
Matches	334,151	348,040	659,573	682,376	1,227,692	1,201,569
Petrol	711,246	739,360	1,408,528	1,447,521	2,249,163	2,677,700
Playing Cards	15,960	16,094	34,390	33,475	67,413	61,716
Spirits	1,719,203	1,917,654	3,771,645	4,003,633	7,058,315	6,936,417
Tobacco, Cigars, Cigarettes, and Snuff	5,403,263	5,352,573	10,457,938	10,643,301	19,179,891	20,421,584
Other Excise, including Licences	95,732	127,824	136,392	230,440	330,923	279,238
Total Excise	17,914,966	18,941,422	32,699,781	36,318,243	62,828,022	66,206,060
Total Gross Customs and Excise Collections	37,879,845	42,051,750	71,273,162	81,959,340	129,267,516	147,651,650
Refunds and Drawback paid	836,951	1,667,272	1,736,963	2,674,728	3,070,023	3,788,922
TOTAL NET REVENUE	37,042,894	40,384,478	69,536,199	79,284,612	126,197,493	143,862,728

**IMPORTS INTO AUSTRALIA OF THE PRODUCE OR MANUFACTURE OF THE UNDERMENTIONED COUNTRIES DURING THE
THREE MONTHS ENDED SEPTEMBER, 1950.**

(\$A'000 f.o.b.)

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OVERSEA TRADE.

Classes of Goods.	United Kingdom.	Borneo (British).	Canada.	Ceylon.	India.	Malaya, Federation of.	New Zealand.	Singapore.	Union of South Africa.	Bahrain Islands.	Belgium.	Brazil.
1. Foodstuffs of animal origin ..	295	..	8	..	..	..	125	1	137	..	..	..
2. Foodstuffs of vegetable origin ; non-alcoholic beverages ..	343	113	..	2,960	629	83	62	10	17	..	1	293
3. Spirituous and alcoholic liquors ..	287	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
4. Tobacco ..	1,451	2	..	..	98	..	..	..	80	..	..	..
5. Live animals ..	53	..	..	..	..	..	39	..	..	..	..	..
6. Animal substances not food-stuffs ..	52	1	..	..	180	4	210	..	21	..	..	..
7. Vegetable substances and fibres ; cork and manufactures ; plastic moulding materials and synthetic fibres ..	608	1	12	147	1,142	40	126	16	91	..	19	737
8. Yarns and manufactured fibres, textiles, and apparel ..	19,321	1,148	269	13	3,834	33	8	41	..	..	287	..
9. Oils, fats and waxes ..	189	..	..	..	352	2	13	2,019	11	2,496	..	74
10. Pigments, paints, varnishes ..	283	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	2	..
11. Rocks, minerals and hydrocarbons ..	102	..	184	13	234	2	5	..	811	..	5	..
12. Metals, metal manufactures and machinery ..	48,721	..	2,903	..	2	99	90	2	153	6	1,128	..
13. Rubber and leather and manufactures thereof ..	1,826	11	1	79	16	2,914	1	16	22	..	2	..
14. Wood and wicker ..	117	158	360	..	..	46	120	..	..	..	..	175
15. Earthenware, cement, china, glass, and stoneware ..	2,068	..	150	..	7	..	10	..	21	..	137	..
16. Pulp, paper, paper manufactures, and stationery ..	3,426	..	36	..	7	..	13	..	..	..	4	..
17. Sporting materials, toys, fancy goods, jewellery and time-pieces ..	1,577	..	..	4	28	..	4	1	164	..	15	..
18. Optical, surgical and scientific instruments ..	1,289	..	90	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	3	..
19. Drugs, fertilizers and chemicals ..	2,399	..	43	2	9	11	5	..	11	..	25	4
20. Miscellaneous ..	2,551	1	9	1	7	4	41	11	4	..	20	..
21. Gold and silver ; bronze specie ..	1	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..
Total	86,959	1,435	4,069	3,219	6,545	3,238	877	2,117	1,544	2,502	1,648	1,283

Imports into Australia of the Produce or Manufacture of the Undermentioned Countries during the Three Months ended September, 1950—*continued.*
(£A'000 f.o.b.)

Classes of Goods.	Czecho- slovakia.	France.	Germany (Western Zone).	Indonesia, Republic of.	Italy.	Japan.	Nether- lands.	Norway.	Persia.	Sweden.	United States of America.	Total, All Coun- tries.(a)
1. Foodstuffs of animal origin ..	6	5	14	..	3	..	7	292	..	10	41	1,000
2. Foodstuffs of vegetable origin ; non-alcoholic beverages ..	..	6	..	364	72	..	141	..	..	..	6	5,745
3. Spirituous and alcoholic liquors ..	..	25	..	..	4	..	8	..	..	..	1	341
4. Tobacco ..	..	..	..	23	..	..	104	..	..	..	82	2,513
5. Live animals ..	..	9	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	111
6. Animal substances not food- stuffs ..	..	8	1	3	..	73	..	18	..	16	..	838
7. Vegetable substances and fibres; cork and manufac- tures; plastic moulding ma- terials and synthetic fibres ..	..	33	54	62	36	5	18	3	15	7	326	6,131
8. Yarns and manufactured fibres, textiles, and apparel ..	741	787	31	8	1,889	313	719	5	..	24	471	29,789
9. Oils, fats and waxes ..	..	106	2	4,454	28	..	23	1	3,123	20	1,166	16,297
10. Pigments, paints, varnishes ..	..	8	37	..	21	..	4	..	..	1	277	646
11. Rocks, minerals and hydro- carbons ..	..	..	2	..	1,073	..	1	..	17	6	123	2,754
12. Metals, metal manufactures and machinery ..	454	2,026	2,695	8	658	2,251	464	84	..	438	9,182	72,765
13. Rubber and leather and manufactures thereof ..	20	49	1	57	7	..	..	..	..	..	129	5,303
14. Wood and wicker ..	3	18	..	4	18	15	3	125	..	1,038	253	2,649
15. Earthenware, cement, china, glass, and stoneware ..	144	45	4	..	65	28	6	6	..	29	98	2,845
16. Pulp, paper, paper manufac- tures, and stationery ..	29	33	49	1	66	1	49	334	..	1,405	225	6,109
17. Sporting materials, toys, fancy goods, jewellery and time- pieces ..	109	273	18	..	66	..	55	10	..	6	6	2,566
18. Optical, surgical and scientific instruments ..	35	63	50	..	82	3	10	..	..	7	223	1,908
19. Drugs, fertilizers and chemicals ..	2	287	108	2	82	5	46	3	..	46	316	4,465
20. Miscellaneous ..	29	49	24	17	99	9	47	..	1	7	142	3,339
21. Gold and silver; bronze specie ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	23	..	..	..	1,140
Total ..	1,572	3,830	3,090	5,003	4,269	2,703	1,705	904	3,156	3,060	13,069	169,254

(a) Excludes outside packages, £A3,403,000.

EXPORTS FROM AUSTRALIA TO THE UNDERMENTIONED COUNTRIES DURING THE THREE MONTHS ENDED SEPTEMBER, 1950.
 (£A'000 f.o.b.)

OVERSEA TRADE.

Classes of Goods.	United Kingdom.	Canada.	Ceylon.	Hong Kong.	India.	Ireland, Republic of.	Malaya, Federation of.	New Zealand.	Singapore.	Union of South Africa.	Belgium.	Egypt.
1. Foodstuffs of animal origin ..	6,718	65	228	288	152	..	357	9	721	57	1	252
2. Foodstuffs of vegetable origin ; non-alcoholic beverages ..	12,187	3,031	1,215	119	5,922	275	672	1,398	1,000	392	61	4,022
3. Spirituous and alcoholic liquors ..	86	52	..	2	4	1	5	118	4	..	..	..
4. Tobacco ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
5. Live animals ..	..	..	1	3	..	..	..	13	77	..	..	..
6. Animal substances not food-stuffs ..	20,276	898	5	18	182	38	..	164	1	101	5,884	54
7. Vegetable substances and fibres ; cork and manufactures ; plastic moulding materials and synthetic fibres ..	29	1	1	6	..	..	1	148	4	10	5	..
8. Yarns and manufactured fibres, textiles, and apparel ..	322	21	9	69	1	..	1	422	13	11	..	20
9. Oils, fat, and waxes ..	354	1	3	3	205	1	2	35	13	11	10	8
10. Pigments, paints, varnishes ..	..	..	3	4	..	..	..	113	5	1	..	..
11. Rocks, minerals and hydrocarbons ..	1,018	3	..	..	..	..	141	30	2	2	1,219	..
12. Metals, metal manufactures and machinery ..	4,896	21	20	139	789	..	131	1,582	125	158	1	14
13. Rubber and leather and manufactures thereof ..	208	1	..	1	1	1	9	55	58	41	4	1
14. Wood and wicker ..	155	7	15	6	..	1	4	196	8	64	4	..
15. Earthenware, cement, china, glass, and stoneware ..	16	..	17	1	1	..	3	77	26	..	..	..
16. Pulp, paper, paper manufactures, and stationery ..	20	1	1	3	..	..	2	175	5	9	..	1
17. Sporting materials, toys, fancy goods, jewellery and time-pieces ..	4	3	4	..	..	..	3	43	8	25	..	..
18. Optical, surgical and scientific instruments ..	34	1	1	1	..	..	5	138	2	11	..	..
19. Drugs, fertilizers and chemicals ..	146	48	10	128	7	..	36	260	46	22	..	12
20. Miscellaneous ..	233	13	28	83	5	..	21	214	94	42	3	2
21. Gold and silver ; bronze specie ..	435	..	..	..	..	..	..	5	..	..	..	..
Total	47,137	4,167	1,561	873	7,269	317	1,393	5,195	2,212	957	7,192	4,886

Exports from Australia to the Undermentioned Countries during the Three Months ended September, 1950.—*continued.*
(£A'000 f.o.b.)

Classes of Goods.	France.	Germany (Western Zone).	Indonesia, Republic of.	Italy.	Japan.	Nether- lands.	Persia.	Poland.	Soviet Russia.	Sweden.	United States of America.	Total, All Countries
1. Foodstuffs of animal origin ..	1	28	3	10	10	10	75	..	..	6	427	11,874
2. Foodstuffs of vegetable origin ; non-alcoholic beverages ..	2	34	596	207	4	1,138	200	..	..	360	14	38,527
3. Spirituous and alcoholic liquors ..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	1	331
4. Tobacco ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	53
5. Live animals ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	8	121
6. Animal substances not food- stuffs ..	9,670	2,522	..	2,855	3,617	517	..	1,055	1,850	695	10,079	62,846
7. Vegetable substances and fibres ; cork and manufac- tures ; plastic moulding ma- terials and synthetic fibres ..	3	10	..	5	..	15	..	..	..	3	120	438
8. Yarns and manufactured fibres, textiles, and apparel ..	..	..	1	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	17	1,134
9. Oils, fats and waxes ..	..	8	1	28	..	40	..	..	..	5	5	1,024
10. Pigments, paints, varnishes ..	..	..	6	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	197
11. Rocks, minerals and hydro- carbons ..	6	9	1	9	..	10	..	..	..	90	571	3,177
12. Metals, metal manufactures and machinery ..	11	..	32	45	8	2	..	..	..	1	673	9,459
13. Rubber and leather and manufactures thereof ..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	5	23	609
14. Wood and wicker ..	..	..	..	..	..	2	8	..	..	2	6	558
15. Earthenware, cement, china, glass, and stoneware ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	200
16. Pulp, paper, paper manufac- tures, and stationery ..	..	..	3	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	12	287
17. Sporting materials, toys, fancy goods, jewellery and time- pieces ..	..	7	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	29	149
18. Optical, surgical and scientific instruments ..	1	..	4	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	7	283
19. Drugs, fertilizers and chemicals ..	4	..	16	..	10	10	..	..	..	12	53	1,066
20. Miscellaneous ..	2	9	7	1	586	11	1	9	..	1	35	1,751
21. Gold and silver ; bronze specie ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	454
Total ..	9,700	2,627	670	3,160	4,241	1,760	284	1,064	1,850	1,180	12,080	134,538

EXPORTS OF PRINCIPAL COMMODITIES FROM AUSTRALIA IN EACH MONTH—AVERAGE UNIT VALUES.

Item.	Unit of Quantity.	Year.	July.	August.	September.	October.	November.	December.	January.	February.	March.	April.	May.	June.	Average for Year.(a)
Wool, Greasy ..	lb.	{ 1949-50 1950-51	<i>s. d.</i> 3 7.4 6 4.5	<i>s. d.</i> 3 3.7 6 3.4	<i>s. d.</i> 3 7.1 9 0.5	<i>s. d.</i> 3 10.6 11 5.1	<i>s. d.</i> 4 1.5 10 3.0	<i>s. d.</i> 4 11.2 11 0.8	<i>s. d.</i> 5 1.2 ..	<i>s. d.</i> 5 8.9 ..	<i>s. d.</i> 6 2.6 ..	<i>s. d.</i> 6 0.0 ..	<i>s. d.</i> 5 10.4 ..	<i>s. d.</i> 5 11.3 ..	<i>s. d.</i> 5 0.1 ..
Wool, Scoured ..	lb.	{ 1949-50 1950-51	4 7.7 7 6.8	4 8.7 8 1.0	4 4.1 9 2.1	5 1.3 10 3.6	5 1.1 11 11.7	5 7.3 13 1.0	6 1.0 ..	6 7.4 ..	6 9.6 ..	6 6.0 ..	6 11.4 ..	7 5.4 ..	5 11.9 ..
Sheepskins (with Wool) ..	No.	{ 1949-50 1950-51	11 10.7 21 10.3	14 1.9 29 9.1	17 9.2 32 10.6	16 8.2 42 1.1	17 4.1 43 2.0	11 2.4 40 2.2	14 1.2 ..	14 0.3 ..	14 1.4 ..	13 9.8 ..	15 8.3 ..	19 0.2 ..	14 7.0 ..
Wheat ..	bushel	{ 1949-50 1950-51	13 4.7 17 11.5	14 5.1 16 5.2	14 9.3 16 8.0	14 8.4 16 7.1	14 11.1 18 5.9	16 1.4 17 9.1	16 9.5 ..	14 10.9 ..	14 1.1 ..	17 8.5 ..	18 2.5 ..	17 0.5 ..	15 10.3 ..
Butter ..	lb.	{ 1949-50 1950-51	2 8.5 3 1.9	2 7.4 3 1.6	2 5.0 3 1.0	2 10.5 2 11.1	2 10.3 3 0.1	2 9.8 2 9.8	3 4.1 ..	2 10.0 ..	2 11.9 ..	2 9.8 ..	3 2.0 ..	3 9.6 ..	2 9.4 ..
Raisins ..	lb.	{ 1949-50 1950-51	0 7.4 0 8.6	0 6.6 0 8.9	0 6.4 0 8.9	0 9.3 0 9.5	0 8.8 0 10.8	0 10.8 0 9.9	0 11.0 ..	0 11.6 ..	0 8.9 ..	0 6.0 ..	0 6.8 ..	0 7.1 ..	0 6.8 ..
Wine (b) ..	gal.	{ 1949-50 1950-51	10 9.3 9 2.4	7 10.1 10 0.6	8 4.8 8 1.8	9 4.3 11 0.4	7 7.9 8 9.5	8 3.7 7 3.3	6 6.3 ..	10 9.7 ..	8 8.4 ..	12 5.5 ..	10 2.7 ..	8 3.8 ..	8 4.2 ..
Beef, Frozen ..	lb.	{ 1949-50 1950-51	0 8.1 0 9.5	0 8.4 0 9.0	0 8.0 0 10.3	0 8.1 0 10.8	0 8.6 0 9.9	0 8.6 0 10.9	0 10.6 ..	0 10.4 ..	0 10.6 ..	0 9.6 ..	0 10.2 ..	0 9.3 ..	0 8.8 ..
Lamb, Frozen ..	lb.	{ 1949-50 1950-51	0 11.4 1 1.1	0 11.2 1 2.7	0 11.2 1 2.9	0 10.2 1 5.7	0 11.1 1 4.2	0 10.8 1 0.2	0 10.8 ..	0 11.1 ..	0 10.8 ..	0 10.7 ..	0 11.1 ..	0 11.7 ..	0 11.2 ..
Mutton, Frozen ..	lb.	{ 1949-50 1950-51	0 5.7 0 7.5	0 7.3 0 8.2	0 6.6 0 7.1	0 6.8 0 6.9	0 6.8 0 10.9	0 6.0 0 8.1	0 6.0 ..	0 5.5 ..	0 5.4 ..	0 5.6 ..	0 5.7 ..	0 6.3 ..	0 5.8 ..
Flour ..	cental	{ 1949-50 1950-51	<i>£ s. d.</i> 1 12 3 1 16 1	<i>£ s. d.</i> 1 14 0 1 17 9	<i>£ s. d.</i> 1 14 2 1 17 6	<i>£ s. d.</i> 1 14 1 1 15 5	<i>£ s. d.</i> 1 13 2 1 16 10	<i>£ s. d.</i> 1 14 9 1 19 5	<i>£ s. d.</i> 1 16 8 1 11 10	<i>£ s. d.</i> 1 11 10 1 15 7	<i>£ s. d.</i> 1 15 7 1 15 4	<i>£ s. d.</i> 1 15 4 1 14 5	<i>£ s. d.</i> 1 14 5 1 10 0	<i>£ s. d.</i> 1 10 0 ..	<i>£ s. d.</i> 1 14 2 ..
Tallow (Inedible) ..	cwt.	{ 1949-50 1950-51	5 5 0 5 0 4	5 12 8 5 15 6	4 18 9 4 15 1	4 10 1 4 15 2	3 4 6 4 7 6	3 19 11 4 4 8	3 1 0 ..	4 0 5 ..	4 3 0 ..	4 9 4 ..	4 3 9 ..	5 1 3 ..	4 14 7 ..
Lead (Pig) ..	cwt.	{ 1949-50 1950-51	5 11 2 5 6 8	6 18 10 5 6 1	5 16 2 5 7 7	4 18 7 7 2 4	5 3 3 6 16 6	5 1 1 6 9 0	5 4 10 ..	4 19 3 ..	4 18 9 ..	5 3 5 ..	4 15 9 ..	4 18 2 ..	5 2 6 ..
Zinc Blocks ..	cwt.	{ 1949-50 1950-51	3 10 4 5 19 6	5 7 4 7 9 5	4 13 4 7 15 4	4 19 2 9 1 6	3 3 7 8 13 0	4 0 7 8 16 3	4 19 5 ..	3 6 8 ..	5 0 6 ..	5 17 9 ..	4 19 5 ..	3 8 8 ..	4 6 4 ..
Sugar, Raw ..	ton	{ 1949-50 1950-51	32 8 4 37 0 4	32 9 11 37 0 0	29 6 8 36 19 11	31 16 11 37 0 0	32 11 0 36 1 8	32 9 4 33 6 9	32 10 2 ..	32 10 2 ..	34 18 1 ..	37 0 2 ..	37 0 2 ..	37 0 2 ..	32 6 6 ..

(a) Average unit value of total exports for the year.

(b) In bulk over 27 per cent. proof.

EXPORTS OF PRINCIPAL COMMODITIES FROM AUSTRALIA IN EACH MONTH—QUANTITIES.

Item.	Unit of Quantity.	Year.	July.	August.	Septem-ber.	October.	Novem-ber.	Decem-ber.	January.	Febru-ary.	March.	April.	May.	June.	Total for Year.
Wool, Greasy ..	'000 lb.	{ 1949-50 1950-51	82,769 70,761	54,251 25,303	41,390 25,751	100,608 90,511	114,844 115,604	104,104 81,775	113,654 ..	84,882 ..	107,009 ..	79,530 ..	121,454 ..	53,158 ..	1,057,653 ..
Wool, Scoured, Tops, &c. ..	'000 lb.	{ 1949-50 1950-51	11,694 12,506	12,444 12,762	9,466 10,705	11,198 12,484	15,046 15,868	13,047 9,062	15,434 ..	13,244 ..	16,233 ..	11,900 ..	20,011 ..	13,323 ..	163,040 ..
Sheepskins (with Wool) ..	'000 No.	{ 1949-50 1950-51	984 644	1,381 1,103	950 787	852 572	1,101 653	1,223 707	1,241 ..	1,555 ..	1,894 ..	1,273 ..	1,351 ..	1,114 ..	14,919 ..
Wheat ..	ton	{ 1949-50 1950-51	166,529 105,132	223,502 172,076	196,930 266,522	155,091 249,580	144,008 193,221	78,135 138,453	64,501 ..	252,243 ..	182,654 ..	184,261 ..	310,316 ..	142,529 ..	2,100,699 ..
Flour ..	'000cental	{ 1949-50 1950-51	1,232 1,426	1,167 1,340	1,660 1,332	1,845 1,729	904 1,482	1,506 632	854 ..	1,017 ..	1,509 ..	692 ..	1,066 ..	1,451 ..	15,503 ..
Butter ..	'000 lb.	{ 1949-50 1950-51	4,015 2,199	4,844 3,242	10,064 5,195	6,527 9,972	12,579 12,123	11,184 22,305	21,489 ..	56,851 ..	13,985 ..	12,089 ..	14,827 ..	8,998 ..	177,452 ..
Raisins ..	'000 lb.	{ 1949-50 1950-51	5,663 21,570	16,954 3,995	10,540 939	1,042 5,078	674 695	295 1,104	97 ..	125 ..	17 ..	5,015 ..	14,476 ..	9,071 ..	63,969 ..
Wines (all kinds)	'000 gal.	{ 1949-50 1950-51	39 158	62 69	94 91	45 135	71 185	77 78	80 ..	60 ..	113 ..	40 ..	366 ..	56 ..	1,103 ..
Beef, Frozen ..	'000 lb.	{ 1949-50 1950-51	24,832 25,316	26,769 18,897	36,162 20,774	12,641 14,434	13,804 14,433	10,712 3,916	4,820 ..	5,479 ..	7,842 ..	3,240 ..	12,929 ..	23,131 ..	182,361 ..
Lamb, Frozen ..	'000 lb.	{ 1949-50 1950-51	1,165 1,052	2,140 574	4,954 911	9,149 3,380	12,282 2,010	24,784 11,101	19,410 ..	30,917 ..	4,775 ..	9,136 ..	2,323 ..	2,313 ..	123,348 ..
Mutton, Frozen	'000 lb.	{ 1949-50 1950-51	992 1,003	669 561	1,712 548	4,230 1,183	5,376 305	6,584 414	6,953 ..	20,418 ..	7,741 ..	9,255 ..	3,595 ..	2,219 ..	69,744 ..
Tallow, Inedible	'000 cwt.	{ 1949-50 1950-51	37 25	34 27	34 29	37 28	16 24	19 13	19 ..	50 ..	31 ..	12 ..	33 ..	26 ..	348 ..
Lead (Pig) ..	'000 cwt.	{ 1949-50 1950-51	168 131	94 157	91 272	70 573	231 173	257 36	132 ..	221 ..	501 ..	146 ..	331 ..	199 ..	2,441 ..
Zinc Bars, Blocks, etc. ..	'000 cwt.	{ 1949-50 1950-51	1 80	85 99	52 62	6 76	53 88	159 24	34 ..	114 ..	100 ..	4 ..	112 ..	68 ..	788 ..
Sugar, Raw and Refined ..	'000 ton	{ 1949-50 1950-51	11 10	53 56	91 56	44 44	57 47	58 51	18 ..	28 ..	20 ..	19 ..	25 ..	9 ..	433 ..

VALUE OF PRINCIPAL ARTICLES IMPORTED INTO AND EXPORTED FROM AUSTRALIA.

IMPORTS.

(£A'000 f.o.b.)

Particulars.	December Quarter.		Six months ended December.	
	1949.	1950.	1949.	1950.
CLASS I.—FOODSTUFFS OF ANIMAL ORIGIN.				
Fish—				
Preserved in tins	284	438	489	907
Other	208	326	386	626
Meats—				
Potted or Concentrated	6	2	11	5
Preserved in tins	12	2	20	5
Sausage Casings	17	75	106	161
Milk and Cream	2	8	5	21
Other Animal Foodstuffs	92	134	173	255
Total, Class I.	621	985	1,190	1,980
CLASS II.—FOODSTUFFS OF VEGETABLE ORIGIN ;				
NON-ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES.				
Caramel and Cocoa Butter	308	472	512	848
Cocoa and Chocolate	365	386	1,107	519
Coffee and Chicory	246	300	334	583
Confectionery	42	41	85	93
Fruits, dried	9	71	11	73
Fruits and Vegetables preserved in liquid	68	26	85	50
Ginger	7	28	20	61
Grain and Pulse—				
Prepared	5	6	11	11
Unprepared	143	80	274	188
Liquorice	9	8	11	9
Mustard .. .. .	..	1	..	2
Nuts, edible	229	302	545	700
Pickles and Sauces	14	18	38	69
Sago and Tapioca	21	28	63	73
Seeds—Canary, Hemp, Rape, &c.	7	8	15	11
Spices	121	156	235	366
Sugar and Products	21	24	29	48
Tea	2,319	2,996	4,814	6,841
Other Vegetable Foodstuffs	168	289	288	440
Total, Class II.	4,102	5,240	8,477	10,985
CLASS III.—SPIRITUOUS AND ALCOHOLIC LIQUORS.				
Ale, Beer, Porter, Cider and Perry	106	66	156	143
Spirits (Beverages)—				
Brandy	15	23	26	34
Gin	11	12	29	32
Rum	2	3	6	10
Whisky	144	229	299	421
Other, including Liqueurs and Bitters	11	35	27	56
Wine, Fermented—				
Sparkling	5	11	10	15
Other	7	20	14	29
Total, Class III.	301	399	567	740

Value of Principal Articles, &c.—Imports—continued.
(£A'000 f.o.b.)

Particulars.	December Quarter.		Six months ended December.	
	1949.	1950.	1949.	1950.
CLASS IV.—TOBACCO.				
Cigarettes	1,069	1,662	2,207	3,292
Cigars	23	37	37	54
Tobacco—				
Manufactured	107	78	212	148
Unmanufactured	1,714	2,448	2,286	3,243
Total, Class IV.	2,913	4,225	4,742	6,737
CLASS V.—LIVE ANIMALS	40	69	127	179
CLASS VI.—ANIMAL SUBSTANCES, NOT FOOD-STUFFS.				
Glue Pieces and Sinews	7	..	7	27
Gut—Imitation and Natural	6	9	9	14
Hair and Fibres	98	200	221	379
Hides and Skins—				
Calf, Cattle and Horse	23	56	38	73
Sheep .. .. .	..	8	3	17
Other	185	301	367	521
Silk, raw	2	80	21	153
Wool	29	355	179	584
Other Animal Substances	42	58	76	138
Total, Class VI.	392	1,067	921	1,906
CLASS VII.—VEGETABLE SUBSTANCES AND FIBRES : CORK AND MANUFACTURES : PLASTIC MOULDING MATERIALS AND SYNTHETIC FIBRES.				
Copra	472	305	824	616
Cork Manufactures	43	61	110	144
Fibres—				
Cotton, raw	984	1,455	1,645	3,865
Flax and Hemp	179	601	338	1,149
Kapok	88	82	176	259
Synthetic Fibres and Filaments	38	96	77	219
Other	80	189	265	399
Grasses and Straws	21	20	78	64
Gums and Resins	139	349	267	607
Plastic Materials	325	640	744	1,400
Seeds—				
Gardening, Horticultural	149	195	244	343
Linseed	186	268	492	1,001
Other	33	18	43	58
Tanning Substances	51	131	150	245
Other Vegetable Substances	37	49	64	100
Total, Class VII.	2,825	4,459	5,517	10,469

Value of Principal Articles, &c.—Imports—continued.
(£A'000 f.o.b.)

Particulars.	December Quarter.		Six months ended December.	
	1949.	1950.	1949.	1950.
CLASS VIII.—YARNS AND MANUFACTURED FIBRES, TEXTILES AND APPAREL.				
<i>(a) Yarns and Manufactured Fibres—</i>				
Bags and Sacks—				
Chaff, Bran and Fodder		80	14	80
Corn and Flour	3,281	3,446	6,199	4,499
Woolpacks	981	454	1,439	976
Other	23	35	27	40
Cordage and Twines	92	131	204	253
Sewing and Other Cottons	411	367	814	850
Yarns—				
Cotton	489	1,007	967	1,652
Rayon and Silk	665	1,684	1,705	3,448
Wool	154	64	320	133
Other	53	113	90	230
Total, Class VIII. (a)	6,149	7,381	11,779	12,161
<i>(b) Textiles—</i>				
Blankets and Blanketing	144	140	283	257
Carpets, Linoleums, &c.	2,437	3,130	4,474	6,616
Cosies, Cushions, D'Oyleys, &c. ..	37	92	60	183
Handkerchiefs, Serviettes, &c. ..	485	438	806	858
Piecegoods—				
Canvas and Duck	306	449	671	909
Cotton and Linen	6,566	7,356	13,834	15,616
Hessian and Other Jute	461	778	1,006	1,477
Silk, including Rayon	3,717	4,899	7,779	10,578
Velvets, Velvetens, &c.	246	672	391	1,106
Woollens	1,467	929	2,587	1,672
Other	652	637	1,139	1,289
Quilts, Tablecovers, Sheets, &c. ..	77	117	160	292
Rugs and Rugging	32	39	56	84
Towels and Towelling	689	272	1,271	612
Other Textiles	136	176	237	330
Total, Class VIII. (b)	17,452	20,124	34,754	41,879
<i>(c) Apparel—</i>				
Blouses, Skirts, Costumes, &c.—				
Knitted	225	170	390	277
Other than Knitted	168	178	287	315
Boots and Shoes	221	385	455	847
Buttons	41	74	79	143
Furs and Other Skins	14	65	32	98
Gloves	133	136	243	378
Hats and Caps	113	163	262	425
Men's and Boys' Outer Clothing ..	252	298	514	600
Shirts, Collars, Ties, &c.	74	82	126	141
Socks and Stockings	645	368	1,275	724
Trimmings and Ornaments	660	774	1,277	1,670
Umbrellas and Sunshades	30	71	65	162
Other Apparel and Attire	161	250	268	483
Total, Class VIII. (c)	2,737	3,014	5,273	6,263
Total, Class VIII.	26,338	30,519	51,806	60,303

Value of Principal Articles, &c.—Imports—continued.
(£A'000 f.o.b.)

Particulars.	December Quarter.		Six months ended December.	
	1949.	1950.	1949.	1950.
CLASS IX.—OILS, FATS AND WAXES.				
Fats and Waxes, &c.	111	189	222	382
Oils—				
Kerosene	768	1,173	1,880	2,845
Linseed	37	290	197	713
Lubricating (Mineral)	1,366	821	2,449	1,979
Olive	21	76	28	155
Petroleum	6,008	9,145	11,829	18,357
Residual and Solar	3,251	3,229	5,290	6,292
Turpentine and Substitutes	132	194	250	358
Other	268	487	453	941
Total, Class IX.	11,962	15,604	22,598	32,022
CLASS X.—PIGMENTS, PAINTS, VARNISHES.				
Paints and Colours	384	559	813	1,193
Varnishes, Stains, &c.	8	12	15	29
Total, Class X.	392	571	828	1,222
CLASS XI.—ROCKS, MINERALS AND HYDRO-CARBONS.				
Asbestos	202	429	401	905
Asphalt, Bitumen and Pitch	118	112	140	187
Coal	586	457	928	1,182
Stones—				
Abrasives (Natural)	203	82	254	169
Other	12	12	19	28
Sulphur	238	1,149	631	2,308
Other Minerals, &c.	169	956	257	1,173
Total, Class XI.	1,528	3,197	2,630	5,952
CLASS XII.—METALS, METAL MANUFACTURES AND MACHINERY.				
(a) <i>Metals and Metal Manufactures—</i>				
Alloys	192	90	416	179
Aluminium Blocks, Ingots, &c.	603	439	1,012	1,078
Baths and Sinks	157	256	221	554
Bolts, Nuts, Rivets and Washers	102	238	183	476
Copper and Copper Base Alloys—				
Pigs, Ingots	286	696	2,074	2,052
Rods, Bars	94	1,211	588	1,754
Wire and Cable	615	312	1,048	642
Other	55	130	113	246
Heating and Cooking Appliances	127	242	245	469
Iron and Steel—				
Bars, Rods, Hoops, Ingots, &c.	1,766	1,621	3,027	3,369
Beams, &c.	257	642	347	1,329
Pig and Scrap, &c.	21	151	24	243
Pipes and Tubes and Fittings	316	771	468	1,706
Plate and Sheet—				
Galvanized—				
Corrugated	391	1,371	539	2,965
Flat	446	395	464	905
Plain	963	1,797	1,683	3,801
Tinned	1,513	2,275	3,946	5,308
Wire	1,061	1,419	1,952	3,156

Value of Principal Articles, &c.—Imports—continued.
(£A'000 f.o.b.)

Particulars.	December Quarter.		Six months ended December.	
	1949.	1950.	1949.	1950.
CLASS XII.—METALS, METAL MANUFACTURES AND MACHINERY.				
(a) <i>Metals and Metal Manufactures—continued.</i>				
Kitchenware	35	82	57	193
Lamps and Lampware	155	205	331	435
Leaf and Foil	116	161	199	295
Meters and Parts	169	240	299	433
Nails	121	144	183	422
Pins, Hooks, Eyes, Crochet Hooks	179	211	328	456
Platedware and Cutlery	462	531	779	1,143
Rails, Fishplates, Fishbolts, &c.	158	478	167	858
Tools of Trade	762	799	1,424	1,718
Vehicles—				
Aircraft and Parts	539	250	847	538
Cycles and Cycle Parts	177	255	326	517
Motor Cycles, Side Cars, &c.	721	468	1,409	1,258
Motor Vehicles—				
Bodies and Parts	4,641	3,385	6,976	7,673
Chassis and Parts	12,722	12,732	21,817	29,501
Other and Parts	598	1,855	1,025	3,286
Other Metals and Manufactures	1,644	2,591	3,021	4,795
Total, Class XII. (a)	32,164	38,443	57,538	83,753
(b) <i>Dynamo Electrical Machinery and Electrical Appliances and Equipment—</i>				
Batteries and Accumulators	130	106	185	262
Cable and Wire, covered	1,501	793	2,811	1,961
Communication Equipment, including				
Radio	1,409	1,972	2,593	4,444
Dynamo Electric Machines	996	1,265	2,126	2,526
Lamps, Filament	154	187	289	420
Protective Equipment	128	131	271	282
Regulating, Starting and Controlling				
Apparatus	480	600	826	1,395
Transformers and Rectifiers	182	400	280	781
Electrical Machinery and Appliances,				
n.e.i.	458	748	1,096	1,723
Total, Class XII. (b)	5,438	6,202	10,477	13,794
(c) <i>Machines and Machinery—</i>				
Machines and Machinery—				
Agricultural, Horticultural, &c.	451	560	730	1,003
Cranes, Hoists and Lifting Machinery	174	162	390	366
Dairying	135	150	266	269
Household Machines (except Sewing)—				
Vacuum Cleaners	158	175	278	444
Other	329	624	577	1,195
Metal-working	1,014	1,466	1,908	2,844
Mining	1,021	1,610	1,877	3,091
Motive-power (excluding Electric)	6,286	7,353	11,736	16,073
Office and Accounting	529	775	1,084	1,630
Printing	477	595	968	1,467
Refrigerating Appliances	574	384	708	810
Sewing	409	769	889	1,432
Sheep-shearing	32	30	48	49
Textile-working and Appliances	813	611	1,763	1,367
Weighing	41	75	82	147
Roller and Ball Bearings	466	362	1,004	810
Other Machines and Machinery	2,436	2,439	5,131	5,204
Total, Class XII. (c)	15,345	18,140	29,439	38,201
Total, Class XII.	52,947	62,785	97,454	135,748

Value of Principal Articles, &c.—Imports—continued.
(£A'000 f.o.b.)

Particulars.	December Quarter.		Six months ended December.	
	1949.	1950.	1949.	1950.
CLASS XIII.—RUBBER AND LEATHER AND MANUFACTURES THEREOF.				
(a) <i>Rubber and Rubber Manufactures—</i>				
Crude Rubber, Waste and Masticated..	866	3,682	1,510	6,939
Rubber Manufactures—				
Elastics, Rubber Thread ..	110	157	239	340
Rubber Tyres, Pneumatic and other	1,244	1,080	2,196	2,508
Other	147	196	261	423
Total, Class XIII. (a)	2,367	5,115	4,206	10,210
(b) <i>Leather and Leather Manufactures—</i>				
Leather	53	88	108	194
Leather Manufactures	79	76	143	184
Total, Class XIII. (b)	132	164	251	378
Total, Class XIII.	2,499	5,279	4,457	10,588
CLASS XIV.—WOOD AND WICKER.				
Manufactures of Timber—				
Furniture	47	58	82	116
Plywood	133	133	298	187
Other.. .. .	120	182	225	350
Timber—				
Dressed	327	685	689	1,618
Undressed	1,428	2,522	2,848	3,914
Wicker, Bamboo and Cane	44	46	81	90
Total, Class XIV.	2,099	3,626	4,223	6,275
CLASS XV.—EARTHENWARE, CEMENT, CHINA, GLASS AND STONEWARE.				
Abrasives (Synthetic)	92	171	245	439
Cement	269	59	353	187
Crockery and Other Householdware ..	881	789	1,535	1,831
Glass and Glassware	777	1,062	1,549	2,027
Porcelain for Electrical purposes ..	58	93	161	181
Tiles	90	152	166	292
Other Earthenware, China, &c. ..	107	240	163	454
Total, Class XV.	2,274	2,566	4,172	5,411
CLASS XVI.—PULP, PAPER, PAPER MANUFACTURES, AND STATIONERY.				
(a) <i>Pulp, Paper and Board—</i>				
Millboards and other Boards.. ..	249	479	639	945
Paper—				
Printing	1,986	2,219	3,516	4,196
Wrapping	175	699	395	1,166
Writing and Typewriting	118	244	279	536
Other Paper	351	724	695	1,482
Parchment	36	47	62	103
Pulp for Papermaking	193	419	578	687
Total, Class XVI. (a)	3,108	4,831	6,164	9,115

Value of Principal Articles, &c.—Imports—continued.
(£A'000 f.o.b.)

Particulars.	December Quarter.		Six months ended December.	
	1949.	1950.	1949.	1950.
CLASS XVI.—PULP, PAPER, ETC.—continued.				
<i>(b) Paper Manufactures and Stationery—</i>				
Books (Printed), Directories, &c.	753	841	1,521	1,725
Catalogues, Price Lists, &c.	71	62	119	141
Pens and Pencils	431	302	785	670
Other Stationery	315	403	670	896
Total, Class XVI. (b)	1,570	1,608	3,095	3,432
Total, Class XVI.	4,678	6,439	9,259	12,547
CLASS XVII.—SPORTING MATERIALS, TOYS, FANCY GOODS, JEWELLERY AND TIMEPIECES.				
Articles for Games	92	109	172	266
Fancy Goods—				
Toys	379	476	808	1,274
Other	317	406	598	849
Jewellery	155	224	300	452
Precious Stones, Unset	287	400	435	738
Timepieces, Watches, Clocks, &c.	571	565	1,036	1,168
Total, Class XVII.	1,801	2,180	3,349	4,747
CLASS XVIII.—OPTICAL, SURGICAL AND SCIENTIFIC INSTRUMENTS AND APPLIANCES AND PHOTOGRAPHIC GOODS.				
Cameras and Photographic Goods	314	284	684	512
Films for Cinematographs	232	217	523	532
Instruments—				
Optical and Meteorological	202	295	369	554
Surgical and Dental	337	471	599	961
Talking Machines—Phonographs, &c.	114	187	191	403
Other Instruments, &c.	291	312	577	712
Total, Class XVIII.	1,490	1,766	2,943	3,674
CLASS XIX.—DRUGS, FERTILIZERS AND CHEMICALS.				
Acids	56	126	160	258
Argol	10	28	25	38
Drugs, Medicinal Preparations—				
Cream of Tartar	15	..	15	..
Proprietary Medicines	289	579	573	1,107
Other	157	365	287	653
Dyes	206	267	448	472
Fertilizers	1,111	1,269	2,203	2,632
Flavouring and Perfume Materials	16	53	28	108
Insecticides, Disinfectants, &c.	21	48	49	87
Oils, Essential (Non-Spirituos)	54	179	100	293
Perfumery and Toilet Preparations	100	116	203	293
Salt	17	32	38	70
Salts of Acids—				
Boron	32	16	62	38
Calcium	25	72	70	115
Copper	37	26	58	59
Magnesium	9	16	19	36
Potassium	12	43	51	67

Value of Principal Articles, &c.—Imports—*continued*.
(£A'000 f.o.b.)

Particulars.	December Quarter.		Six months ended December.	
	1949.	1950.	1949.	1950.
CLASS XIX.—DRUGS, FERTILIZERS AND				
CHEMICALS— <i>continued</i> .				
Salts of Acids— <i>continued</i> .				
Sodium—				
Carbonate (Soda Ash)	2	182	35	300
Cyanide	44	43	91	94
Hydroxide (Caustic Soda)	21	2	62	4
Other	90	98	130	202
Zinc	6	7	16	15
Other	59	130	113	240
Soap	19	29	40	62
Spirituous Preparation —				
Essences, Fruit Ethers, &c.	3	13	9	21
Other	18	97	46	148
Other Drugs and Chemicals	586	956	1,131	1,847
Total, Class XIX.	3,015	4,792	6,062	9,259
CLASS XX.—MISCELLANEOUS.				
Antiques, Paintings and Works of Art	75	56	114	139
Arms, Ammunition and Explosives	372	373	805	833
Articles of Asbestos, Celluloid, Plastics, &c.	39	81	75	151
Bags, Baskets, Boxes, &c.	163	270	306	609
Brushware	83	109	152	223
Goods imported per Parcel Post	48	57	91	113
Musical Instruments—				
Pianos and Player Pianos	104	82	173	181
Piano and Player Piano Parts	5	4	15	10
Other and Parts	67	142	143	250
Outside Packages	2,624	2,947	4,826	6,351
Packings for Engines, &c.	131	138	271	286
Passengers' Effects	500	712	1,009	1,239
Prefabricated Buildings	316	1,296	413	2,266
Vessels (Ships)	115	267	119	490
Wall and Ceiling Parts and Decorations	75	23	113	36
All Other Articles	136	110	248	227
Total, Class XX.	4,853	6,667	8,873	13,404
CLASS XXI.—GOLD AND SILVER ; BRONZE SPECIE.				
Gold, including Gold in Matte	492	359	947	1,486
Silver, including Silver in Matte	3	11	9	23
Total, Class XXI.	495	370	956	1,509
SUMMARY.				
Importing States—				
New South Wales	47,367	62,868	94,071	135,220
Victoria	45,762	62,187	84,236	118,002
Queensland	11,957	13,742	21,935	31,165
South Australia	11,754	12,294	21,679	26,217
Western Australia	8,481	8,755	14,702	18,822
Tasmania	1,831	2,957	4,049	6,121
Northern Territory	413	2	479	110
Total { Merchandise	127,070	162,435	240,195	334,148
{ Bullion and Specie	495	370	956	1,509
GRAND TOTAL	127,565	162,805	241,151	335,657

Value of Principal Articles, &c.—continued.

EXPORTS.

(£A'000 f.o.b.)

Particulars.	December Quarter.		Six months ended December.	
	1949.	1950.	1949.	1950.
CLASS I.—FOODSTUFFS OF ANIMAL ORIGIN.				
Butter	4,294	6,423	6,678	8,051
Cheese	579	732	1,308	1,187
Eggs	2,629	2,463	3,790	3,211
Fish	81	32	131	278
Gelatine, edible	44	33	72	78
Ghee	47	96	206	218
Honey	202	36	470	98
Infants' and Invalids' Foods	350	499	666	677
Margarine	106	68	262	91
Meat—				
Bacon and Hams	213	257	381	444
Potted or Concentrated	98	81	262	249
Preserved by Cold Process—				
Beef and Veal	1,384	1,419	4,357	4,033
Lamb	2,190	950	2,575	1,099
Mutton	438	62	529	129
Pork	119	152	430	471
Rabbits and Hares	860	182	3,152	325
Preserved in tins	2,345	2,324	4,364	4,761
Sausage Casings	284	226	491	453
Other	1,013	889	2,284	1,932
Milk and Cream	2,119	1,881	2,868	2,751
Soups	101	191	580	257
Other Animal Foodstuffs	68	39	189	96
Total, Class I.	19,564	19,035	36,045	30,889
CLASS II.—FOODSTUFFS OF VEGETABLE ORIGIN :				
NON-ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES.				
Aerated Waters, Cocoa, Coffee, &c.	38	39	65	74
Biscuits, Cakes and Puddings	878	320	1,559	665
Confectionery	85	173	222	258
Fodders	85	75	147	186
Fruit Juices and Syrups	222	223	578	471
Fruits—				
Dried—				
Currants	7	40	163	110
Raisins	77	278	997	1,235
Other	220	374	343	1,018
Fresh—				
Apples	22	111	367	404
Citrus	238	322	490	622
Other	6	7	46	56
Preserved in liquid	963	1,036	2,071	2,616
Pulped	50	88	302	244
Grain and Pulse—				
Prepared—				
Breakfast Foods	347	167	681	332
Flour (Wheaten)	7,337	7,041	14,187	14,566
Rice	272	368	630	915
Other	170	153	449	311
Unprepared—				
Barley	411	132	1,170	1,412
Oats	87	284	136	699
Wheat	10,555	19,005	26,164	36,102
Other	630	918	893	1,874
Jams and Fruit Jellies	731	339	1,804	772
Nuts, edible	54	15	71	36
Pickles, Sauces, &c.	44	27	105	46

Value of Principal Articles, &c.—Exports—continued.
(£A'000 f.o.b.)

Particulars.	December Quarter.		Six months ended December.	
	1949.	1950.	1949.	1950.
CLASS II.—FOODSTUFFS OF VEGETABLE ORIGIN :				
NON-ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES—continued.				
Sugar	5,150	5,050	10,013	9,676
Tea	39	54	80	117
Vegetable—				
Preserved or Pulped	429	70	818	127
Other	119	54	322	189
Other Vegetable Foodstuffs	209	152	522	286
Total, Class II.	29,475	36,915	65,395	75,449
CLASS III.—SPIRITUOUS AND ALCOHOLIC LIQUORS.				
Ale, Beer, Cider, &c.	11	10	21	21
Spirits (Beverages)	105	194	202	358
Wine	105	204	235	360
Total, Class III.	221	408	458	739
CLASS IV.—TOBACCO.				
Cigars, Cigarettes and Snuff	86	10	98	18
Tobacco	48	45	87	90
Total, Class IV.	134	55	185	108
CLASS V.—LIVE ANIMALS.				
Cattle	13	17	16	29
Horses	45	45	77	60
Sheep	50	84	113	164
Other Live Animals	9	28	21	42
Total, Class V.	117	174	227	295
CLASS VI.—ANIMAL SUBSTANCES, NOT FOOD-STUFFS.				
Hides and Skins—				
Cattle, Calf and Horse	443	684	848	1,014
Fox .. .. .	..	2	..	3
Kangaroo and Wallaby	102	133	126	192
Opossum	35	3	35	4
Rabbit and Hare	488	873	1,108	1,997
Sheep	2,579	4,279	4,902	8,191
Other	9	48	18	78
Pearlshell	129	179	195	295
Trochus Shell	15	48	40	94
Wool—				
Greasy	70,126	150,352	101,534	192,704
Scoured and Washed, Tops, Noils and Waste	10,045	21,356	17,830	35,887
Other Animal Substances	62	102	107	241
Total, Class VI.	84,033	178,059	126,743	240,700
CLASS VII.—VEGETABLE SUBSTANCES AND FIBRES ; CORK AND MANUFACTURES ; PLASTIC MOULDING MATERIALS AND SYNTHETIC FIBRES.				
Fibres	38	104	61	156
Plastic Materials	28	73	71	146
Seeds	74	73	172	204
Tanning Substances	42	87	132	183
Other Vegetable Substances	43	43	86	102
Total, Class VII.	225	380	522	791

Value of Principal Articles, &c.—Exports—continued.
(£A'000 f.o.b.)

Particulars.	December Quarter.		Six months ended December.	
	1949.	1950.	1949.	1950.
CLASS VIII.—YARNS AND MANUFACTURED FIBRES, TEXTILES, AND APPAREL.				
<i>(a) Yarns and Manufactured Fibres—</i>				
Yarns—				
Woollen	134	197	255	562
Other	43	74	86	176
Other Manufactured Fibres	31	63	88	129
Total, Class VIII. (a)	208	334	429	867
<i>(b) Textiles—</i>				
Blankets and Blanketing	35	28	59	47
Piecegoods—				
Cotton	42	99	87	209
Woollen	217	105	392	209
Other	66	76	98	201
Other Textiles	33	100	101	168
Total, Class VIII. (b)	393	408	737	834
<i>(c) Apparel—</i>				
Boots and Shoes	23	16	36	47
Costumes, Blouses, Coats, &c.	79	35	134	82
Underwear and Sleeping Attire	19	24	34	51
Other Apparel and Attire	62	50	152	119
Total, Class VIII. (c)	183	125	356	299
Total, Class VIII.	784	867	1,522	2,000
CLASS IX.—OILS, FATS AND WAXES.				
Fats and Waxes, &c.—				
Edible Animal Fats	70	55	203	148
Fatty Acids	27	141	45	251
Other	41	47	83	92
Oils—				
Petroleum and Shale Oils	124	148	200	357
Other	57	306	90	448
Tallow, unrefined	364	318	983	788
Total, Class IX.	683	1,015	1,604	2,084
CLASS X.—PIGMENTS, PAINTS, VARNISHES.	158	192	272	389
CLASS XI.—ROCKS, MINERALS AND HYDRO-CARBONS.				
Coal	74	43	94	92
Ores and Concentrates—				
Silver and Silver-lead	384	618	655	1,131
Titanium and Zirconium	122	173	200	343
Tungsten	136	264	244	401
Zinc	680	1,261	849	3,039
Other	175	125	261	632
Other Stones and Minerals	35	30	62	54
Total, Class XI.	1,606	2,514	2,365	5,692

Value of Principal Articles, &c.—Exports—*continued*.
(£A'000 f.o.b.)

Particulars.	December Quarter.		Six months ended December.	
	1949.	1950.	1949.	1950.
CLASS XII.—METALS, METAL MANUFACTURES AND MACHINERY.				
(a) <i>Metals and Manufactures—</i>				
Builders' and Engineers' Hardware ..	40	60	94	111
Cadmium	80	87	137	214
Hand Tools, non-powered	113	127	203	218
Iron and Steel	359	373	688	777
Lead—				
Bullion and Silver-Lead Bullion ..	1,489	1,519	2,562	2,792
Pig	2,838	2,936	4,945	5,926
Other	5	14	23	55
Metal Scrap	10	63	37	81
Platinum	3	1	3	1
Tin Ingots .. .. .	..	..	1	..
Vehicles and Parts	284	295	611	631
Zinc—Bars, Blocks, Ingots, &c. ..	884	1,798	1,613	3,615
Other Metals and Manufactures ..	350	584	719	1,201
Total, Class XII. (a)	6,455	7,857	11,636	15,622
(b) <i>Dynamo Electrical Machinery and Electrical Appliances and Equipment—</i>				
Communication Equipment	83	103	209	174
Other Electrical Appliances	232	358	451	628
Total, Class XII. (b)	315	461	660	802
(c) <i>Machines and Machinery—</i>				
Agricultural, Horticultural, &c. ..	64	145	258	282
Motive Power Machinery	275	619	675	954
Refrigerating Appliances	104	137	209	239
Other Machines and Machinery ..	603	793	1,153	1,570
Total, Class XII. (c)	1,046	1,694	2,295	3,045
Total, Class XII.	7,816	10,012	14,591	19,469
CLASS XIII.—RUBBER AND LEATHER AND MANUFACTURES THEREOF.				
(a) <i>Rubber and Rubber Manufactures</i> ..				
	56	72	99	124
(b) <i>Leather and Leather Manufactures—</i>				
Hide—				
Sole	151	221	321	400
Other	131	239	284	473
Sheep and Lamb	39	102	86	177
Other	30	40	67	80
Leather Manufactures	11	25	35	54
Total, Class XIII. (b)	362	627	793	1,184
Total, Class XIII.	418	699	892	1,308
CLASS XIV.—WOOD AND WICKER.				
Timber	609	341	1,014	819
Wood and Wicker Manufactures	54	73	109	152
Total, Class XIV.	663	414	1,123	971
CLASS XV.—EARTHENWARE, CEMENT, CHINA, GLASS AND STONEWARE				
	157	249	282	449

Value of Principal Articles, &c.—Exports—continued.
(£A'000 f.o.b.)

Particulars.	December Quarter.		Six months ended December.	
	1949.	1950.	1949.	1950.
CLASS XVI.—PULP, PAPER, PAPER MANUFACTURES, AND STATIONERY.				
(a) Pulp, Paper and Board	35	51	65	106
(b) Paper Manufactures and Stationery ..	208	328	411	560
Total, Class XVI.	243	379	476	666
CLASS XVII.—SPORTING MATERIALS, TOYS, FANCY GOODS, JEWELLERY AND TIME-PIECES.				
Precious Stones, Unset—Pearls, &c. ..	53	27	61	50
Sporting Goods	32	55	62	108
Other Jewellery and Fancy Goods	43	94	87	166
Total, Class XVII.	128	176	210	324
CLASS XVIII.—OPTICAL, SURGICAL AND SCIENTIFIC INSTRUMENTS AND APPLIANCES AND PHOTOGRAPHIC GOODS, N.E.I.				
Films for Cinematographs, &c.	74	81	147	151
Photographic Goods and Materials	83	105	186	196
Talking Machines, &c.	22	22	39	48
Other Instruments, &c.	70	93	196	189
Total, Class XVIII.	249	301	568	584
CLASS XIX.—DRUGS, FERTILIZERS AND CHEMICALS.				
Acids	33	56	67	94
Fertilizers	12	15	12	36
Medicines	222	393	457	710
Oils, Essential—				
Eucalyptus	32	79	68	138
Other	24	18	34	30
Perfumery, Toilet Preparations and Soaps ..	66	114	131	208
Salts of Acids	77	111	114	247
Other Drugs and Chemicals	258	430	416	820
Total, Class XIX.	724	1,216	1,299	2,283
CLASS XX.—MISCELLANEOUS.				
Arms, Ammunition and Explosives	487	1,147	956	2,033
Goods exported per Parcel Post	204	130	384	405
Passengers' Personal and Household Effects ..	150	159	330	345
Vessels transferred abroad	11	59	60	87
All other Articles	367	380	718	756
Total, Class XX.	1,219	1,875	2,448	3,626
CLASS XXI.—GOLD AND SILVER; BRONZE SPECIE.				
Gold .. ..	..	..	1	..
Silver	387	426	569	880
Total, Class XXI.	387	426	570	880
SUMMARY.				
States of Final Shipment—				
New South Wales	51,854	91,491	90,913	133,904
Victoria	37,460	63,074	62,517	94,069
Queensland	26,660	41,884	48,637	68,604
South Australia	16,799	25,164	26,901	44,838
Western Australia	14,124	28,964	24,345	39,775
Tasmania	2,104	4,784	4,479	8,503
Northern Territory	3	..	5	3
Total { Australian Produce	147,864	253,739	255,550	386,723
{ Other Produce	1,140	1,622	2,247	2,973
Total { Merchandise	148,617	254,935	257,227	388,816
{ Bullion and Specie	387	426	570	880
GRAND TOTAL	149,004	255,361	257,797	389,696
Value of Australian Gold Production	3,584	3,490	5,988	6,711

**PRINCIPAL AGRICULTURAL, PASTORAL AND DAIRY PRODUCE OF AUSTRALIAN
ORIGIN EXPORTED FROM AUSTRALIA.**

Year.	Butter.	Cheese.	Meats			
			Bacon and Hams.	Beef.(a)	Mutton and Lamb.	Pork.

QUANTITY.

('000 lb.)

1938-39	..	229,543	35,924	1,739	271,964	186,489	30,716
1945-46	..	137,611	32,766	11,714	110,791	56,575	30,773
1946-47	..	133,642	53,555	6,649	180,339	164,303	18,705
1947-48	..	184,773	50,945	5,484	237,150	122,483	3,728
1948-49	..	183,552	58,254	6,619	191,653	114,864	20,126
1949-50	..	177,452	51,404	5,592	182,361	193,092	14,975
1950-51 (six months)	..	55,036	13,192	2,891	97,770	23,042	5,834

VALUE.

(£A'000 f.o.b.)

1938-39	..	12,892	1,074	120	4,324	4,807	882
1945-46	..	12,272	1,689	1,039	2,834	1,540	1,205
1946-47	..	12,570	2,643	578	4,582	4,544	844
1947-48	..	20,629	3,253	533	6,192	4,248	208
1948-49	..	23,807	4,097	674	5,815	4,222	1,199
1949-50	..	24,653	4,145	738	6,722	7,453	1,068
1950-51 (six months)	..	8,051	1,187	444	4,033	1,228	471

Year.	Fruits, Dried.		Fruits Preserved in Liquid.	Wheat.	Flour.	Wool.	
	Vine.	Tree.				Greasy.	Scoured. (b)

QUANTITY.

	'000 lb.	'000 lb.	'000 lb.	tons.	'000 lb.	'000 lb.	'000 lb.
1938-39..	164,213	3,915	81,279	1,690,974	1,450,130	793,384	70,881
1945-46..	88,099	3,072	36,734	333,865	1,037,751	711,358	94,517
1946-47..	91,514	4,189	71,689	326,134	1,530,196	1,019,450	190,825
1947-48..	92,803	3,956	84,797	1,611,809	1,568,741	774,223	163,575
1948-49..	113,733	4,715	114,241	2,224,046	1,709,560	982,036	156,158
1949-50..	79,775	8,418	101,165	2,100,699	1,550,342	1,057,653	162,983
1950-51 (6 months)	36,367	18,650	56,824	1,124,984	794,068	409,705	73,314

VALUE.

(£A'000 f.o.b.)

1938-39..	2,747	118	1,267	8,735	4,540	37,305	5,324
1945-46..	1,951	198	892	6,223	11,337	56,390	12,870
1946-47..	2,157	273	2,114	6,338	22,535	96,830	29,274
1947-48..	2,264	279	2,763	52,813	31,823	118,617	30,121
1948-49..	3,110	338	4,132	64,705	33,721	195,483	35,913
1949-50..	2,227	598	4,018	62,173	26,333	265,037	46,099
1950-51 (6 months)	1,345	1,013	2,616	36,102	14,566	192,704	35,855

(a) Includes Veal.

(b) Includes Tops, Nails and Waste.

**PRINCIPAL AGRICULTURAL, PASTORAL AND DAIRY PRODUCE OF AUSTRALIAN
ORIGIN EXPORTED TO VARIOUS COUNTRIES.**

Country to which Exported.	BUTTER.				CHEESE.			
	Six Months ended December—							
	1949.		1950.		1949.		1950.	
	'000 lb.	£A'000 f.o.b.	'000 lb.	£A'000 f.o.b.	'000 lb.	£A'000 f.o.b.	'000 lb.	£A'000 f.o.b.
United Kingdom ..	40,850	5,332	43,516	6,116	11,799	816	6,898	506
Ceylon ..	913	141	838	131	228	28	191	23
Cyprus ..	83	12	173	31	49	6	94	12
Guiana (British) ..	542	92	334	61	149	15	52	6
Hong Kong ..	689	107	942	149	245	24	111	11
India ..	212	35	392	67	351	43	174	21
Malaya, Federation of ..	350	69	394	76	176	20	166	12
Malta ..	331	50	337	53	202	20	261	27
Mauritius ..	341	63	248	41	89	11	79	9
Rhodesia, Southern ..	246	33	..	..	39	4	268	27
Singapore ..	446	66	1,086	182	676	72	383	40
West Africa (British) ..	233	39	370	68	112	11	290	34
West Indies (British) ..	1,236	184	1,031	166	632	56	807	85
Other British Countries	657	111	1,958	316	421	44	648	76
Belgian Dependencies—								
Belgian Congo ..	273	48	81	17	24	3	26	3
Burma ..	295	55	165	27	..	..	..	..
Egypt ..	381	59	628	97	341	36	1,353	134
New Caledonia ..	125	18	173	30	30	3	70	8
Philippines Republic ..	271	51	334	57	373	45	191	23
Other Foreign Countries	617	113	2,036	366	484	51	1,130	130
States of Final Ship- ment—								
New South Wales ..	4,485	649	3,143	463	549	58	513	65
Victoria ..	14,976	1,949	26,739	3,922	7,545	643	6,610	610
Queensland ..	22,379	3,111	19,728	2,910	1,581	147	1,586	161
South Australia ..	2,784	385	2,048	284	6,741	459	4,482	351
Western Australia ..	2,736	354	813	106	4	1	1	..
Tasmania ..	1,731	230	2,565	366	..	..	..	..
Total ..	49,091	6,678	55,036	8,051	16,420	1,308	13,192	1,187

Country to which Exported.	BACON AND HAMS.				BEEF (including Veal)—Frozen and Chilled.			
	Six Months ended December—							
	1949.		1950.		1949.		1950.	
	'000 lb.	£A'000 f.o.b.	'000 lb.	£A'000 f.o.b.	'000 lb.	£A'000 f.o.b.	'000 lb.	£A'000 f.o.b.
United Kingdom ..	431	32	1	..	101,763	3,375	77,790	2,959
Ceylon ..	150	18	160	23	383	17	267	14
Hong Kong ..	513	64	455	68	3,929	136	3,442	134
Malta ..	39	5	13	2	3,302	112	966	37
Singapore ..	619	71	808	114	4,217	155	4,656	220
West Indies ..	568	77	651	108	2,609	130	3,010	160
Other British Countries	298	42	446	71	3,695	204	3,744	236
Egypt ..	273	31	140	20	4,543	185	2,592	148
Other Foreign Countries	319	41	217	38	591	43	1,303	125
States of Final Ship- ment—								
New South Wales ..	789	101	843	127	1,899	86	1,362	104
Victoria ..	480	55	180	27	997	37	734	47
Queensland ..	1,449	168	1,300	212	103,444	3,657	79,054	3,287
South Australia ..	182	24	108	17	211	6	8	..
Western Australia ..	310	33	460	61	18,481	571	16,612	595
Total ..	3,210	381	2,891	444	125,032	4,357	97,770	4,033

Principal Agricultural, Pastoral and Dairy Produce of Australian Origin Exported to Various Countries—*continued.*

	MUTTON AND LAMB—FROZEN.				PORK			
	Six Months ended December—							
Country to which Exported.	1949.		1950.		1949.		1950.	
	'000 lb.	£A'000 f.o.b.	'000 lb.	£A'000 f.o.b.	'000 lb.	£A'000 f.o.b.	'000 lb.	£A'000 f.o.b.
United Kingdom ..	67,151	2,833	17,192	771	4,895	314	4,134	308
Bermuda	366	25	382	32	125	16	176	26
Ceylon	404	21	201	13	11	1	27	3
Singapore	830	36	870	42	373	28	410	39
Other British Countries	1,800	76	2,567	186	634	44	446	41
Egypt	2,831	104	382	25	335	26	563	45
Other Foreign Countries	162	9	1,448	159	18	1	78	9
States of Final Ship- ment—								
New South Wales ..	15,149	639	4,756	213	446	38	445	46
Victoria	43,977	1,784	10,557	618	951	69	766	74
Queensland	65	4	34	2	4,527	284	4,318	322
South Australia ..	10,184	480	6,016	308	327	27	109	11
Western Australia ..	4,169	197	1,679	87	107	9	196	18
Tasmania .. ..	..	..	..	..	33	3	..	..
Total	73,544	3,104	23,042	1,228	6,391	430	5,834	471

Country to which Exported.	DRIED VINE FRUITS—CURRANTS.				DRIED VINE FRUITS—RAISINS (including Sultanas and Lexias).			
	Six Months ended December—							
	1949.		1950.		1949.		1950.	
	'000 lb.	£A'000 f.o.b.	'000 lb	£A'000 f.o.b.	'000 lb.	£A'000 f.o.b.	'000 lb.	£A'000 f.o.b.
United Kingdom ..	619	17	174	5	1,124	38	1,888	48
Canada ..	3,854	91	848	29	25,952	683	25,044	934
New Zealand ..	1,451	39	1,265	44	6,727	223	5,153	194
Singapore ..	56	2	81	3	67	2	575	28
Other British Countries	254	10	253	13	603	25	..	..
Sweden ..	..	..	..	..	448	15	616	23
Other Foreign Countries	103	4	365	15	247	11	105	9
States of Final Ship- ment—								
New South Wales ..	18	..	31	2	18	1	56	3
Victoria ..	2,395	62	709	28	32,561	897	30,361	1,106
Queensland ..	..	..	1	..	1	..	1	..
South Australia ..	3,330	85	1,873	64	2,588	99	2,963	127
Western Australia ..	594	16	372	15	..	..	..	..
Total ..	6,337	163	2,986	109	35,168	997	33,381	1,236

Principal Agricultural, Pastoral and Dairy Produce of Australian Origin Exported to Various Countries—continued.

Country to which Exported.	DRIED TREE FRUITS.				FRUITS PRESERVED IN LIQUID.			
	Six Months ended December—							
	1949.		1950.		1949.		1950.	
	'000 lb.	£A'000 f.o.b.	'000 lb.	£A'000 f.o.b.	'000 lb.	£A'000 f.o.b.	'000 lb.	£A'000 f.o.b.
United Kingdom ..	1,734	99	16,777	864	43,086	1,042	30,607	1,282
Canada ..			102	7	7,911	335	7,084	422
New Zealand ..	1,911	141	1,174	92	6,701	270	5,676	268
Singapore ..	95	7	68	6	898	30	897	41
Other British Countries	335	18	430	35	5,103	196	5,380	265
Egypt ..	103	3	20	2	1,409	56	2,243	96
Other Foreign Countries	761	60	79	7	2,443	92	4,937	242
States of Final Ship- ment—								
New South Wales ..	1,359	79	10,019	476	10,132	364	8,442	417
Victoria ..	1,481	106	3,993	295	46,132	1,178	32,061	1,282
Queensland ..	20	1	15	1	8,866	441	14,964	857
South Australia ..	891	60	4,373	227	1,214	50	1,300	57
Western Australia ..	285	19			446	15	14	1
Tasmania ..	903	63	250	14	761	23	43	2
Total ..	4,939	328	18,650	1,013	67,551	2,071	56,824	2,616

Country to which Exported.	WHEAT.				FLOUR			
	Six Months ended December—							
	1949.		1950.		1949.		1950.	
	tons.	£A'000 f.o.b.	tons.	£A'000 f.o.b.	'000 centals.	£A'000 f.o.b.	'000 centals.	£A'000 f.o.b.
United Kingdom ..	250,941	6,166	299,387	8,864	703	1,091	1,235	2,230
Aden ..					101	145	121	271
Borneo ..					50	82	131	162
Ceylon ..	99	3	98	4	1,658	2,870	1,617	2,879
Hong Kong ..			86	3	550	933	93	215
India ..	505,254	14,176	330,475	10,352	2,806	4,877	883	1,562
Ireland, Republic of ..	8,596	207	8,315	237				
Malaya, Federation of ..	1,837	63	12,272	369	585	976	588	1,084
Mauritius ..			7		543	900	189	354
New Zealand ..	85,062	2,334	74,033	2,389	1	4	8	16
Pacific Island—Fiji ..	7		7		86	158	120	178
Rhodesia, Southern ..	9,722	331	13,743	493				
Singapore ..	870	32	10,396	321	143	241	465	888
South Africa, Union of ..			11,520	386	5	9	28	45
Sudan, Anglo—Egyptian ..					123	201	174	310
Other British Countries	21,409	555	17,551	649	138	165	113	215
Arabia ..	186	9	2,700	96	122	195	144	273
Burma ..			4,078	150			59	87
Egypt ..	28,291	734	176,008	5,813	56	97	1,073	2,020
French Dependencies ..	36	2	49	3	72	134	103	211
Indonesia ..					1	1	537	1,030
Iraq ..			145	5			1	2
Japan ..	2,660	56	47,140	2,082	2	4	3	3
Lebanon ..					81	137	1	27
Netherlands ..			9,310	284			29	56
Norway ..	4,523	138						
Persia ..	2,640	70	7,921	256	3	5	2	4
Peru ..	25,349	816	68,522	2,337	195	393		
Portuguese Possessions ..	150	3	840	28	27	48	66	123
Siam ..	168	6	5		100	179	64	134
Other Foreign Countries	16,446	463	30,376	981	192	342	94	186
States of Final Ship- ment—								
New South Wales ..	272,372	7,299	291,736	9,668	2,892	4,907	3,214	5,981
Victoria ..	262,271	7,120	350,572	10,785	2,974	4,929	1,944	3,521
Queensland ..	59,107	1,709	31,589	1,026	45	74	30	52
South Australia ..	123,824	3,613	160,940	5,277	1,169	2,073	1,194	2,276
Western Australia ..	246,672	6,423	290,147	9,346	1,263	2,204	1,559	2,736
Total ..	964,246	26,164	1,124,984	36,102	8,343	14,187	7,941	14,566

**Principal Agricultural, Pastoral and Dairy Produce of Australian Origin Exported
to Various Countries—continued.**

Country to which Exported.	WOOL—GREASY.				WOOL—SCOURED, NOILS AND WASTE. (a)			
	Six Months ended December—							
	1949.		1950.		1949.		1950.	
	'000 lb.	£A'000 f.o.b.	'000 lb.	£A'000 f.o.b.	'000 lb.	£A'000 f.o.b.	'000 lb.	£A'000 f.o.b.
United Kingdom ..	177,965	36,308	135,121	66,683	31,098	7,475	29,150	15,387
Canada ..	2,086	515	1,010	507	5,585	1,367	3,419	1,363
Hong Kong ..			38	41	58	18	163	124
India ..	48	6	307	132	245	48	403	222
New Zealand ..	179	47	410	190	208	38	94	31
Other British Countries	599	111	867	386	111	33	195	86
Austria ..	1,950	494	321	171	12	3	4	4
Belgium ..	60,289	8,874	56,701	19,863	4,209	886	3,762	1,708
China ..					89	36	285	270
Czechoslovakia ..	4,166	1,199	1,526	1,065	118	52		
Denmark ..	142	33	48	13	1,806	466	1,382	595
Egypt ..	55	11	56	19	150	67	73	40
France ..	80,361	14,828	70,458	32,629	6,472	1,456	4,215	2,241
Germany ..	26,391	5,722	24,130	11,926	2,305	618	1,725	944
Greece ..					648	204	1,442	625
Italy ..	21,796	3,683	26,275	11,455	2,163	449	5,138	1,982
Japan ..	31,816	7,123	22,870	11,305	21	1	4,123	2,078
Lebanon ..	478	86			18	19		
Mexico ..	1,429	360	1,683	742			58	25
Netherlands ..	3,195	734	3,095	1,650	2,063	533	1,508	792
Norway ..	59	17	17	4	589	152	377	200
Poland ..	17,027	4,622	8,724	4,542	202	59	68	9
Soviet Union—								
Baltic and Northern								
Ports ..	6,248	1,958						
Black Sea Ports ..	4,136	1,173	2,886	1,521				
Pacific Coast Ports ..			2,164	987			10	5
Spain ..	932	177	344	132	38	15	54	24
Sweden ..	875	213	4,885	2,805	2,924	771	1,878	784
Switzerland ..	1,563	309	1,673	821	539	152	329	231
Turkey ..	30	7	848	592	524	151	275	128
United States of America	52,604	12,594	40,765	21,220	8,287	2,050	11,316	4,559
Yugoslavia ..	794	201	557	299				
Other Foreign Countries	528	129	1,926	1,004	429	160	373	246
States of Final Ship- ment—								
New South Wales ..	249,389	47,153	164,492	73,712	23,951	5,493	28,338	14,033
Victoria ..	81,017	18,753	86,067	43,635	21,244	4,937	19,451	8,490
Queensland ..	80,311	17,431	72,433	34,291	7,767	2,181	6,703	2,606
South Australia ..	44,676	8,987	47,038	21,363	6,871	1,772	8,076	3,429
Western Australia ..	42,328	9,206	39,441	19,625	8,778	2,351	4,914	2,640
Tasmania ..	32	4	234	78	2,340	525	4,367	2,505
Total ..	497,753	101,534	409,705	192,704	70,951	17,259	71,849	34,703

(a) Excludes Wool Tops.

Section V.—Public Finance.

COMMONWEALTH CONSOLIDATED REVENUE FUND—RECEIPTS.

(£'000.)

Sources of Revenue.	1933-39.	1947-48.	1948-49.	1949-50.	Six Months ended December, 1950.
TAXATION—					
Customs	31,161	57,597	63,465	77,726	43,023
Excise	16,472	58,008	62,735	66,157	36,272
Sales Tax	9,308	34,728	39,029	42,425	24,707
Flour Tax(a)	1,809	985	1	..	..
Land Tax	1,489	3,641	3,032	4,211	395
Income Taxes(b)	11,883	161,452	182,092	179,093	49,242
Social Services Contribution .. .. .	..	71,448	90,255	100,560	40,789
Pay-roll Tax .. .. .	..	16,595	19,803	22,728	19,012
Gold Tax .. .. .	..	11	—5	—9	..
Estate Duty	1,915	4,555	4,740	6,054	2,536
Gift Duty .. .. .	..	781	582	745	453
Entertainments Tax .. .. .	..	5,198	5,299	4,698	2,240
Wool Sales Deduction	(a) (c) 74	..	..	..	410
Wool Contributory Charge(a) .. .. .	..	1,424	1,029	1,439	14,580
Wheat Export Charge(a) .. .. .	..	5,730	18,086	12,633	6,883
Stevedoring Industry Charge(a) .. .. .	..	260	670	499	209
Total, Taxation	74,111	422,413	490,813	518,959	234,751
BUSINESS UNDERTAKINGS—					
Postmaster-General's Department	17,366	31,390	33,307	38,349	21,055
Railways—					
Trans-Australia	331	754	888	981	531
Central Australia	138	384	679	776	311
North Australia	50	37	29	35	16
Australian Capital Territory	7	15	9	12	3
Total, Railways	526	1,190	1,605	1,804	861
Broadcasting Services	(d)	(d)	(d)	1,934	1,007
Total, Business Undertakings	17,892	32,580	34,912	42,087	22,923
TERRITORIES(e)	356	666	739	926	521
OTHER REVENUE—					
Coinage	128	497	635	466	..
Defence	151	216	355	542	648
Civil Aviation	6	1,595	1,997	2,870	310
Health	18	14	20	25	15
Attorney-General	111	178	176	183	91
Commerce and Agriculture	6	—22	235	659	8
Shipping, Fuel and Transport	152	176	478	380	121
Net Profit, Note Issue	767	4,087	4,460	4,183	1,832
Other	1,367	(f) 3,505	(g) 19,557	(h) 9,372	2,102
Total	2,706	10,246	27,913	18,680	5,127
GRAND TOTAL	95,065	465,905	554,377	580,652	263,322
PER HEAD OF POPULATION(i)—	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Taxation	10 13 9	55 5 9	62 18 8	64 9 5	28 4 7
Business Undertakings	2 11 7	4 5 3	4 9 6	5 4 7	2 15 1
Other	0 8 10	1 8 7	3 13 6	2 8 8	0 13 7
Total	13 14 2	60 19 7	71 1 8	72 2 8	31 13 3

(a) Paid to Trust Fund for purposes of industry concerned. (b) Includes War-time (Company) Tax. Undistributed Profits Tax and Super Tax. (c) Wool levy—for publicity and research. (d) Part included with Postmaster-General's Department, balance included in Wireless Broadcasting Trust Accounts revenue. (e) Excludes Railways—see Business Undertakings. (f) Includes Wool Committee operations surplus £125,000, and Eggs—War-time Control surplus £650,000. (g) Includes Wool Committee operations surplus £103,000, Eggs—War-time Control surplus £110,000 and surplus balances of Trust Accounts £17,000,000. (h) Includes surplus balances of Trust Accounts £6,700,000. (i) Based on mean population for each financial year.

NOTE.—Minus sign (—) indicates an excess of refunds or transfers from one head of receipts to another.

COMMONWEALTH CONSOLIDATED REVENUE FUND—EXPENDITURE.
(£'000.)

Heads of Expenditure.	1938-39.	1947-48.	1948-49.	1949-50.	Six Months ended December, 1950.
Administrative and Miscellaneous Services	5,702	34,027	38,865	45,577	42,384
Interest and Sinking Fund Payments, n.e.i.(a)	3,835	3,170	3,487	3,447	2,581
Capital Works and Services, n.e.i.	634	15,646	22,127	40,606	12,189
National Welfare Fund and Social Services(b)	16,429	88,043	110,058	123,288	55,186
War (1914-18) and Repatriation Services—					
Interest and Sinking Fund Payments(a)	9,665	9,032	8,979	8,279	4,629
War Pensions	8,227	9,564	11,245	11,548	6,631
Other Services	1,365	1,078	1,423	1,946	1,026
Total, War (1914-18), &c.	19,257	19,674	21,647	21,773	12,286
Defence Services(c)	8,855	71,615	61,046	54,246	33,956
War (1939-45) and Repatriation Services—					
Interest and Sinking Fund Payments(a)	..	48,233	48,782	50,045	25,435
War Pensions . . . . .	..	7,604	9,024	10,475	6,174
Other Services . . . . .	..	52,595	76,757	34,929	5,156
Total, War (1939-45), &c. . . . .	..	108,432	134,563	95,449	36,765
Business Undertakings—					
Postmaster-General's Department—					
Interest and Sinking Fund Payments(a)	2,887	3,238	3,252	3,329	1,768
Capital Works and Services	3,701	8,260	12,520	16,792	16,027
Other	12,141	28,933	37,667	44,183	23,385
Total, Postmaster-General's Department	18,729	40,431	53,439	64,304	41,180
Railways—					
Interest and Sinking Fund Payments(a)	525	507	501	503	326
Capital Works and Services	142	148	223	482	77
Other	826	1,582	2,093	2,289	1,211
Total, Railways	1,493	2,237	2,817	3,274	1,614
Broadcasting Services—					
Capital Works and Services . . . . .	..	..	..	157	69
Other . . . . .	..	..	..	2,872	1,466
Total, Broadcasting Services	(d)	(d)	(d)	3,029	1,535
Total, Business Undertakings	20,222	42,668	56,256	70,607	44,329
Territories(e)—					
Interest and Sinking Fund Payments(a)	375	357	357	340	225
Capital Works and Services	739	1,448	2,628	3,161	2,226
Other—					
Northern Territory	323	793	1,037	1,353	714
Australian Capital Territory	349	763	957	1,253	631
Papua-New Guinea	48	2,271	3,412	4,342	2,339
Norfolk Island	5	4	4	5	2
Total, Territories	1,839	5,636	8,395	10,454	6,137
Payments to or for the States—					
Interest on States' Debts(f)	7,585	7,585	7,585	7,585	3,792
Sinking Fund on States' Debts	1,478	1,732	1,852	2,005	1,092
Special Grants	2,020	6,042	7,450	11,054	6,902
Grants for Road Construction, &c., purposes	4,266	6,707	7,630	9,267	6,635
Tax Reimbursement Grants . . . . .	..	44,588	53,488	62,271	30,032
Other	300	6	599	(g) 8,950	519
Total to or for the States	15,649	66,660	78,604	101,132	48,972
Primary Production—Self-balancing items	2,015	(h) 8,914	(h) 19,329	(h) 14,073	21,463
Grand Total	94,437	464,485	554,377	580,652	316,248
Per Head of Population:(i)	£ s. d. 13 12 5	£ s. d. 60 15 11	£ s. d. 71 1 8	£ s. d. 72 2 8	£ s. d. 38 0 7

(a) Includes exchange on interest payments. (b) For expenditure on Social Services, see page 59.
(c) Expenditure on the Departments of Defence, Navy, Army, Air and Supply and Development (Munitions, &c.). Includes Capital Works and Services. (d) Part included with Postmaster-General's Department, balance included in Wireless Broadcasting Trust Account expenditure. (e) Excludes Railways—see Business Undertakings. (f) Excludes balance of interest payable on States' Debts (recoverable from Stat's). (g) Includes Coal Strike—Emergency Grant, £8,000,000. (h) In addition, the following amounts for assistance to primary producers were provided under War Services:—1946-47, £7,720,000; 1947-48, £10,808,000; 1948-49, £8,248,000; and 1949-50, £13,071,000.
(i) Based on mean population for each financial year.

COMMONWEALTH EXPENDITURE FROM LOAN FUND.

(£'000.)

Particulars.	1938-39.	1946-47.	1947-48.	1948-49.	1949-50.	Total to 30th June, 1950.
War (1914-18) and Repatriation Services	..	..	..	..	..	372,990
Defence and War (1939-45) Services and Post-war Charges	..	37,894	..	Cr. 18,733	25,483	1,584,013
Works and Services—						
Defence Buildings, Works, Sites	1,912	..	..	..	..	8,694
Civil Aviation, Buildings and Works	..	..	..	..	..	213
Ships, Yards and Docks	Cr. 305	..	Cr. 165	Cr. 4	..	7,694
Lighthouses, Works and Services	Cr. 1	..	..	..	..	634
River Murray Waters Act	..	..	..	..	..	2,106
Postmaster-General's Department	Cr. 1	..	Cr. 1	Cr. 1	Cr. 8	40,531
Health Buildings, Laboratories and Services	..	..	..	..	..	102
War Service Homes(a)	..	..	..	..	..	7,329
Railways	..	Cr. 2	Cr. 4	Cr. 1	Cr. 1	13,759
Territories(b)	Cr. 7	Cr. 12	Cr. 9	Cr. 6	Cr. 7	8,762
Other	..	..	..	..	..	3,109
Assistance to States—						
Housing	..	11,015	13,305	14,492	17,215	62,822
Other	1,996	..	..	..	..	13,943
Wheat Bounty	..	..	..	..	..	3,430
Total Additions, New Works, Buildings, &c.	3,594	11,001	13,126	14,480	17,199	173,128
GRAND TOTAL	3,594	48,895	13,126	Cr. 4,253	42,682	2,131,031

(a) In addition, £13,045,000 was expended from War Loan Fund prior to 1923-24.

(b) Includes Administration and other Public Buildings, A.C.T.

PUBLIC LOANS RAISED IN AUSTRALIA FOR WAR (1939-45) AND OTHER PURPOSES.(a)

Month of Raising.	Amount Invited.	Number of Sub- scribers.	Allocation of Proceeds.			Rates of Interest.	Years of Maturity.
			Commonwealth.		States.		
			Defence, War (1939-45) and Post-war Charges.	Other Purposes.			
	£'000.		£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	%	
1939-40—March ..	18,000	14,339	7,676	1,410	9,079	3½, 3½	1945, 1950-56
May ..	20,000	32,792	20,583	..	..	2½, 3½	..
1940-41—November ..	28,000	21,830	20,505	982	7,018	..	..
April ..	35,000	57,217	27,872	1,940	6,060	2½, 3½	1946, 1950-56
1941-42—October ..	30,000	83,374	34,158	..	..	..	1945-46, 1950-57
February ..	35,000	244,564	48,331	..	..	..	1945-46, 1950-58
June ..	35,000	196,407	37,372	..	..	..	1946-47, 1950-58
1942-43—November ..	77,300	454,284	82,659	..	..	..	..
March ..	100,000	431,851	101,798	..	..	..	1947-48, 1950-59
1943-44—October ..	125,000	566,960	126,404	..	..	..	..
March ..	150,000	452,443	150,545	..	..	..	1948-49, 1950-60
1944-45—September ..	112,479	421,311	113,934	..	..	..	..
March ..	100,000	422,168	107,293	..	..	..	1949-50, 1950-61
1945-46—September ..	85,000	259,900	87,224	..	..	..	..
March ..	70,000	193,265	78,468	..	..	2, 3½	1949, 1955-58
1946-47—October ..	64,020	194,624	61,267	..	8,500	..	..
April ..	25,000	72,178	7,457	(b) 5,440	16,925	2, 3½	1950, 1956-59
1947-48—October ..	48,030	95,338	21,611	(b) 13,012	26,600	3½	1956-1959
April ..	35,000	87,262	6,622	(b) 7,645	29,028	..	1957-1960
1948-49—September ..	15,000	84,492	52	..	15,000	..	1962
March ..	43,239	54,860	30,539	(b) 7,140	24,145	2, 3½	1952, 1960-63
1949-50—September ..	25,912	63,517	..	..	45,167	..	1953, 1960-63
March ..	40,875	46,072	11,886	(b) 17,215	31,576	..	1953, 1961-64
1950-51—August ..	12,911	46,309	1,303	..	47,000	..	..
November ..	21,253	(c)	(c)	(c)	(c)	..	..

(a) Excludes Redemption and Conversion Loans.

(b) Advances to the States for Housing.

(c) Not yet available.

COMMONWEALTH PUBLIC DEBT.

For a summary of Commonwealth Public Debt as at 31st December, 1950, see page 57.

COMMONWEALTH INCOME TAX AND SOCIAL SERVICES CONTRIBUTION, 1948-49. (a)

Grade of Actual Income.	Taxpayers.		Net Income Tax and Social Services Contribution.		
	No.	Per cent. of Total Individuals.	Amount.	Per cent. of Total Individuals.	Amount per Taxpayer.
Individuals—			£'000.		£ s. d.
Under £201	436,080	16.48	2,315	1.49	5 6 2
£201-£500	1,614,116	61.01	40,166	25.90	24 17 8
£501-£1,000	464,970	17.58	32,687	21.08	70 6 0
£1,001 and over	130,445	4.93	79,801	51.53	611 15 2
Total Individuals	2,645,611	100.00	154,969	100.00	58 11 6
Companies(b)	19,723	..	(c) 70,773	..	3,588 7 1
Grand Total .. ..	..	..	225,742	..	..

(a) Assessed on income for year 1947-48.
Super Tax and Undistributed Profits Tax.

(b) Preliminary, subject to revision.

(c) Includes

COMMONWEALTH LAND TAX ASSESSMENTS.

Heading.	Assessment Year—				
	1937-38.	1938-39.	1939-40.	1940-41.	1941-42.
NUMBER OF TAXPAYERS—	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.
Resident Owners	21,928	20,956	21,395	21,959	21,921
Absentee Owners	2,584	2,559	2,365	2,562	2,450
TOTAL	23,612	23,515	23,760	24,521	24,371
UNIMPROVED VALUE OF LAND AS RETURNED BY OWNERS—	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.
Resident	225,775	228,207	234,273	244,513	244,223
Absentee	2,000	2,048	1,893	1,685	1,444
TOTAL	227,775	230,255	236,166	246,198	245,667
UNIMPROVED VALUE AS ASCERTAINED BY DEPARTMENT—					
Resident	257,347	257,277	272,109	277,242	275,289
Absentee	2,168	2,197	2,080	1,992	1,580
TOTAL	259,515	259,474	274,189	279,234	276,869
TAX ASSESSED ON—	£	£	£	£	£
Urban Land—Resident Owners	924,749	1,045,591	1,195,246	2,453,928	2,897,198
Absentee Owners	10,082	10,673	11,324	20,509	20,333
TOTAL	934,831	1,056,264	1,206,570	2,474,437	2,917,531
Rural Land—Resident Owners	339,487	372,713	388,763	784,293	889,928
Absentee Owners	3,267	3,342	4,248	6,113	5,204
TOTAL	342,754	376,055	393,011	790,406	895,132
All Land—Resident Owners	1,264,236	1,418,304	1,584,009	3,238,221	3,787,126
Absentee Owners	13,349	14,015	15,572	26,622	25,537
TOTAL	1,277,585	1,432,319	1,599,581	3,264,843	3,812,663
AREA OF RURAL LAND ASSESSED (a)	'000 ac.				
TAX ASSESSED ON RURAL LAND per ac.	57.636	56.696	56.131	63.556	62.702
	1.427d.	1.592d.	1.680d.	2.985d.	3.426d.

(a) Excludes Crown Leaseholds.

NOTE.—Figures for later years have not been compiled.

COMMONWEALTH ESTATE DUTY, 1948-49.

Grade of Dutiable Value.	Number of Estates.(a)	Gross Value as Assessed.	Dutiable Value.	Net Duty Payable.
£	No.	£'000.	£'000.	£
1- 1,000	3,967	8,564	1,600	47,749
1,001- 2,000	1,999	6,852	2,901	85,891
2,001- 3,000	1,295	5,766	3,190	94,421
3,001- 4,000	864	4,895	3,004	88,728
4,001- 5,000	682	4,548	3,049	89,472
5,001-10,000	1,731	16,409	12,079	356,640
10,001-20,000	1,120	18,678	15,751	677,390
20,001-50,000	571	20,097	16,432	1,316,848
50,001 and over	121	13,908	10,834	2,145,213
Total	12,350	99,717	68,840	4,902,352

(a) Number of estates assessed during year 1948-49.

COMMONWEALTH SALES TAX.—Sales of Taxable and Exempt Goods and Sales Tax payable—Australia.(a)
(£'000.)

Period.	Net Sales of Taxable and Exempt Goods.	Taxable Sales.				Sales Tax Payable.
		8½ per cent.(b)	10 per cent.(b)	25 per cent.(b)	Total.	
1947-48.						
April	87,515	..	29,102	1,060	30,162	3,175
May	81,188	..	25,457	1,013	26,470	2,799
June	89,296	..	26,903	829	27,732	2,898
Total, June Quarter ..	257,999	..	81,462	2,902	84,364	8,872
Total, Year	954,258	..	296,666	17,644	314,310	34,060
1948-49.						
July	90,657	..	29,494	1,037	30,531	3,209
August	91,518	..	28,420	1,040	29,460	3,102
September	97,294	..	30,984	1,097	32,081	3,373
Total, September Quarter ..	279,469	..	88,898	3,174	92,072	9,684
October	92,633	..	28,940	1,165	30,105	3,185
November	97,846	..	30,175	1,455	31,630	3,381
December	90,926	..	29,729	1,230	30,959	3,280
Total, December Quarter ..	281,405	..	88,844	3,850	92,694	9,846
January	73,887	..	21,981	646	22,627	2,360
February	90,676	..	27,920	932	28,852	3,025
March	101,456	..	33,452	1,091	34,543	3,618
Total, March Quarter ..	266,019	..	83,353	2,669	86,022	9,003
April	90,641	..	28,599	973	29,572	3,103
May	104,308	..	31,341	1,041	32,382	3,394
June	98,705	..	29,588	837	30,425	3,168
Total, June Quarter ..	293,654	..	89,528	2,851	92,379	9,665
Total, Year	1,120,547	..	350,623	12,544	363,167	38,198
1949-50.						
July	88,227	..	28,262	885	29,147	3,047
August	95,579	..	31,146	1,009	32,155	3,367
September	108,062	26,837	9,169	940	36,946	3,388
Total, September Quarter ..	291,868	26,837	68,577	2,834	98,248	9,802
October	111,514	35,504	..	977	36,481	3,203
November	105,742	40,399	..	1,116	41,515	3,648
December	113,837	40,528	..	943	41,471	3,613
Total, December Quarter ..	331,093	116,431	..	3,036	119,467	10,464
January	92,567	30,687	..	596	31,283	2,707
February	110,168	35,879	..	784	36,663	3,187
March	124,109	43,132	..	834	43,966	3,804
Total, March Quarter ..	326,844	109,698	..	2,214	111,912	9,698
April	110,522	37,041	..	708	37,749	3,264
May	134,889	43,685	..	817	44,502	3,845
June	126,611	42,761	..	613	43,374	3,717
Total June Quarter ..	372,022	123,487	..	2,138	125,625	10,826
Total Year	1,321,827	376,453	68,577	10,222	455,252	40,790
1950-51.						
July	117,827	39,238	..	656	39,894	3,445
August (c)	124,800	42,000	..	800	42,800	3,700
September (c)	134,800	44,000	..	800	44,800	3,866
Total, September Quarter (c)	377,427	125,238	..	2,256	127,494	11,011

(a) From information obtained from returns made under the Sales Tax Acts. The returns do not relate to all wholesale trade and exclude sales of vendors trading only in exempt goods. They also do not necessarily cover a constant proportion of all trade. Includes Taxable Imports and Tax collected at Customs House. (b) The 10 per cent. rate came into operation on 15th November, 1946, and superseded the general rate of 12½ per cent., which, together with the 25 per cent. rate, operated from 1st May, 1942. On 8th September, 1949, the general rate was reduced to 8½ per cent. (c) Partly estimated.

NOTE.—In respect of New South Wales the Consolidated Revenue Fund and Business Undertakings—Railways, Tramways and Omnibuses and Sydney Harbour Trust Section of the Maritime Services Board—included in the Annual Budget Papers are represented in the following tables. The following adjustments have been made to the Budget figures for 1949–50 to obviate duplications within the combined accounts and to obtain uniformity with the other States—(i) Treasury transfers to Railway and Tramway revenue £4,000,000 and (ii) Commonwealth Hospital Benefits £1,900,000 paid to Consolidated Revenue and then distributed to hospitals, have been deducted from the Budget Revenue total of £112,404,000 and from the Expenditure total of £118,432,000. In addition, £4,850,000 has been deducted from expenditure on account of debt charge recoups to Consolidated Revenue Fund from Business Undertakings. Particulars for other States are restricted to the transactions of the Consolidated Revenue Fund.

The following Treasury transfers to Business undertakings have been excluded from Revenue and Expenditure—New South Wales (as stated above)—Railways £3,800,000, Tramways and Omnibuses £200,000; Victoria—Railways £1,688,000; South Australia—Railways £3,000,000; and Western Australia—Railways £219,000 and Tramways £12,000.

STATE REVENUES, 1949-50.

Sources of Revenue.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Q'land.	S. Aust. (a)	W. Aust. (a)	Tas. (a) (b)	Total.
	£'000	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.
Taxation(c)	11,936	7,576	4,649	3,298	(d) 1,691	1,844	30,994
Railways	40,122	20,250	15,459	6,424	6,152	..	88,407
Tramways (e)	9,099	(f) 201	..	..	582	..	9,882
Other Business and Industrial Undertakings	1,658	3,383	1	2,709	2,088	4	9,843
Land	3,279	1,004	1,663	274	613	171	7,004
Interest n.e.i.	604	1,882	860	1,048	621	638	5,653
Commonwealth Payments (g)	31,754	18,363	12,739	11,012	11,974	3,751	89,593
All other Sources	8,052	2,898	1,748	1,595	2,297	669	17,259
Total Revenue	106,504	55,557	37,119	26,360	26,018	7,077	258,635
Total Revenue per head (h)	£ s. d. 33 11 6	£ s. d. 25 12 0	£ s. d. 31 18 3	£ s. d. 38 7 7	£ s. d. 47 13 5	£ s. d. 25 10 3	£ s. d. 32 5 4

Year ended 30th June—

STATE REVENUES 1938-39 AND 1946-47 TO 1949-50.

	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.
1939	51,098	26,985	19,330	12,304	10,950	3,615	124,282
1947	72,782	37,359	25,033	17,193	14,981	(b) 4,507	171,855
1948	86,082	41,728	26,820	18,843	17,711	(b) 4,816	196,000
1949	96,082	46,842	32,979	21,845	20,561	(b) 5,740	224,049
1950	106,504	55,557	37,119	26,360	26,018	(b) 7,077	258,635

STATE EXPENDITURES, 1949-50.

Heads of Expenditure.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Q'land.	S. Aust. (a)	W. Aust. (a)	Tas.(a)(b)	Total.
	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.
Interest and Charges on Public Debt	15,959	9,295	6,782	5,628	4,659	1,676	43,999
Railways	37,979	19,198	15,384	8,147	8,066	9	88,783
Tramways (e)	9,459	..	..	..	997	..	10,456
Other Business and Industrial Undertakings	932	2,222	..	1,787	1,845	(i) 706	7,492
Education	13,412	8,671	4,162	2,656	2,507	1,378	32,786
Hospitals	8,830	4,342	2,972	1,766	1,467	758	20,135
Other Charities	2,146	1,139	1,049	336	467	221	5,358
All other Expenditure	18,964	10,949	6,741	6,230	5,986	2,596	51,466
Total Expenditure	107,681	55,816	37,090	26,550	25,994	7,344	260,475
Total Expenditure per head (h)	£ s. d. 33 18 11	£ s. d. 25 14 5	£ s. d. 31 17 9	£ s. d. 38 13 1	£ s. d. 47 12 7	£ s. d. 26 9 6	£ s. d. 32 9 11

Year ended 30th June—

STATE EXPENDITURES 1938-39 AND 1946-47 TO 1949-50.

	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.
1939	53,558	27,773	19,316	12,701	11,170	3,641	128,159
1947	74,632	37,354	25,017	17,253	15,028	(b) 4,573	173,857
1948	86,204	42,282	26,914	19,156	18,062	(b) 5,102	197,720
1949	95,918	48,225	32,929	22,130	21,378	(b) 5,845	226,425
1950	107,681	55,816	37,090	26,550	25,994	(b) 7,344	260,475

(a) Revenue includes balance of assessed grant for 1947-48—South Australia £324,000, Western Australia £768,000 and Tasmania £262,000. Expenditure includes the following amounts in reduction of 1947-48 Deficits—South Australia £312,000, Western Australia £438,000 and Tasmania £262,000.

(b) Excludes particulars of transport services, now under control of the Transport Commission, Motor taxation collections are also paid to the Commission's Fund. See note (i). (c) For total receipts from various forms of taxation, Commonwealth and State, 1949-50. See p. 56. Excludes Commonwealth tax reimbursements. (d) Gross collections. (e) Includes omnibuses. (f) Contribution to revenue by Melbourne and Metropolitan Tramways. (g) Includes Commonwealth tax reimbursements. (h) Based on mean population for the financial year. (i) Losses of Transport Commission.

STATE NET LOAN EXPENDITURE DURING THE YEAR, 1949-50.
(£'000.)

Heads of Expenditure.	N.S.W.	Vic.(a)	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.	Total.
Works—							
Railways	10,457	2,646	2,100	703	2,209	327	18,442
Tramways (b) ..	807			814	40		1,661
Roads and Bridges ..	Cr. 69	312	755	Cr. 27			
Harbours, Rivers, Lights, &c. ..	756	94	24	312	402	93	2,652
Water Supply and Sewerage ..	289	4,146	231	1,548	752		6,966
Electricity Supply ..	541		2,000	2,346		3,173	8,060
Public Buildings ..	3,748	4,102	1,271	588	678	459	10,846
Unemployment Relief ..	Cr. 57	Cr. 31					Cr. 89
Housing	820	176	Cr. 121	2,317	Cr. 1	Cr. 24	3,167
Other(c)	504	393	1,467	28	90	568	3,050
Primary Production—							
Land Settlement (d) ..	3,217	3,300	174	Cr. 214	9	55	6,541
Water Conservation, Irrigation and Drainage ..	2,776		585	98	249		3,708
Other	1,061	1,358	1,424	718	544	230	5,335
Other purposes		1,374		1,083	787		3,244
Total Works, &c. ..	24,850	17,870	7,910	9,968	8,105	4,880	73,583
Per Head (e) ..	£ s. d. 7 16 8	£ s. d. 8 4 8	£ s. d. 6 16 0	£ s. d. 14 10 3	£ s. d. 14 17 0	£ s. d. 17 11 10	£ s. d. 9 3 7
Non-Works—							
Revenue, &c., Deficits ..		1,383		60		24	1,467
Other (f)	1,184	1,436	288	Cr. 5	484	38	3,425
Grand Total ..	26,034	20,689	8,198	10,023	8,589	4,942	78,475

TOTAL STATE NET LOAN EXPENDITURE TO 30th JUNE, 1950.
(£'000.)

Heads of Expenditure.	N.S.W.	Vic.(a)(g)	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.	Total.
Works—							
Railways	189,160	85,115	71,811	40,558	28,983	9,250	424,877
Tramways (b) ..	11,785			4,486	1,556		17,827
Roads and Bridges ..	20,922	13,514	8,185	3,832	3,183		
Harbours, Rivers, Lights, &c. ..	25,278	1,808	3,689	9,260	8,454	7,978	106,103
Water Supply and Sewerage ..	41,677	42,554	1,563	28,451	17,437		131,682
Electricity Supply ..	3,800	17,839		5,500	6,347	15,026	48,512
Public Buildings ..	28,180	17,041	12,427	5,905	5,375	4,344	73,272
Unemployment Relief ..	16,164	13,147				333	29,644
Housing	4,905	3,462	3,900	11,315	786	560	24,928
Other (c)	11,421	3,301	25,518	2,346	2,237	4,230	49,053
Primary Production—							
Land Settlement (d) ..	23,852	62,064	5,821	10,102	13,134	2,425	117,398
Water Conservation, Irrigation and Drainage ..	26,977		2,992	9,530	4,901		44,400
Other	11,641	12,524	14,507	3,710	14,740	1,400	58,522
Other purposes	89	2,999	123	3,078	10,142		16,431
Total Works ..	415,851	275,368	150,536	138,073	117,275	45,546	1,142,649
Non-Works—							
Revenue, &c., Deficits ..	38,948	11,055	5,826	8,730	12,115	2,036	78,710
Other (f)	23,656	9,725	15,548	3,248	5,927	2,050	60,154
Grand Total ..	478,455	296,148	171,910	150,051	135,317	49,632	1,281,513

(a) Expenditure from Loan Fund and on account of Loans; includes expenditure from Loan Funds from Treasurer's Advance Account and from State Loans Repayment Fund. (b) Includes Omnibuses. (c) Includes Loans to Local Bodies, &c. (d) Includes Advances to Settlers and Soldier Land Settlement. (e) Based on mean population for the financial year. (f) Discount and flotation expenses, exchange on remittances, &c. (g) Aggregate Gross Loan Expenditure.

STATE PUBLIC DEBT AND INTEREST PAYABLE AT 30th JUNE, 1950.

State.	Public Debt.				Interest Payable.			
	Australia.	London.	New York.	Total.	In Australia.	In London.	In New York.	Total.
	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.
	Aust.	Stg.	(a)	(b)	Aust.	Stg.	(c)	(c)
New South Wales ..	279,390	134,826	11,073	425,289	8,600	4,162	373	13,135
Victoria	167,356	45,540	4,517	217,413	5,464	1,445	182	7,091
Queensland	101,106	44,721	4,835	150,662	3,240	1,484	177	4,901
South Australia ..	96,259	35,160	1,755	133,174	3,097	1,073	71	4,241
Western Australia ..	70,602	36,921	2,027	109,550	2,226	1,119	93	3,438
Tasmania	35,395	7,093	233	42,721	1,144	223	8	1,375
Total ..	750,108	304,261	24,440	1,078,809	23,771	9,506	904	34,181

(a) Payable in dollars. For the purpose of this table dollars have been converted on the basis of \$4.8665 to £1. (b) The total "face" or "book" value of the State Public Debt leaving out of account currency changes since the loans were floated. (c) Nominal amount of interest payable—takes no account of exchange.

(TABLES ON THIS PAGE ARE PREPARED FROM INFORMATION PUBLISHED IN THE MONTHLY STATEMENTS ISSUED BY EACH TREASURY.)

REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE.

(£'000.)

Particulars.	N.S.W. (a)	Vic.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.	Six States.	Common- wealth.	Grand Total. (b)
SIX MONTHS ENDED DECEMBER, 1949.									
Revenue—									
Commonwealth Payments ..	14,779	8,597	5,939	5,435	5,495	1,934	42,179	..	..
Taxation ..	5,306	3,513	2,431	1,317	739	910	14,216	201,832	..
Business Undertakings—									
Railways ..	17,711	9,116	8,093	2,897	2,956	..	40,773	848	..
Other ..	5,255	61	..	1,458	1,245	..	8,019	19,247	..
Other ..	9,234	2,382	1,999	1,139	1,527	588	16,869	11,859	..
Total ..	52,285	23,669	18,462	12,246	11,962	3,432	122,056	233,786	311,959
Expenditure—									
Payments to States (c) ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	48,550	..
Debt Services ..	7,636	4,567	3,364	2,737	2,574	811	21,689	33,800	..
Business Undertakings (d)—									
Railways ..	18,041	9,648	7,490	4,030	3,742	440	43,391	1,133	..
Other ..	5,002	145	..	835	868	..	6,850	20,693	..
Other ..	23,556	12,269	7,471	5,017	4,924	2,528	55,765	129,610	..
Total ..	54,235	26,629	18,325	12,619	12,108	3,779	127,695	233,786	316,937
Surplus (+) or Deficit (—) ..	—1,950	—2,960	+137	—373	—146	—347	—5,639	..	—4,978

SIX MONTHS ENDED DECEMBER, 1950.

Revenue—									
Commonwealth Payments ..	13,592	8,065	5,454	5,991	6,182	1,491	40,775	..	..
Taxation ..	6,846	4,220	2,691	1,576	936	1,035	17,304	234,751	..
Business Undertakings—									
Railways ..	22,627	7,234	9,287	3,193	3,364	..	45,705	861	..
Other ..	5,849	113	..	1,566	1,320	..	8,848	22,062	..
Other ..	6,435	2,896	2,089	1,492	1,610	718	15,240	5,648	..
Total ..	55,349	22,528	19,521	13,818	13,412	3,244	127,872	263,322	349,106
Expenditure—									
Payments to States ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	48,972	..
Debt Services ..	8,013	4,867	3,769	2,870	2,626	910	23,055	34,965	..
Business Undertakings (d)—									
Railways ..	22,840	7,962	8,665	4,161	4,194	406	48,225	1,207	..
Other ..	5,478	162	..	928	1,007	..	7,575	24,853	..
Other ..	22,507	14,203	8,328	6,126	6,096	2,700	59,960	206,241	..
Total ..	58,838	27,194	20,762	14,085	13,923	4,016	138,818	316,238	412,968
surplus (+) or Deficit (—) ..	—3,489	—4,666	—1,241	—267	—511	—772	—10,946	—52,916	—63,862

(a) Excludes Main Roads Department, Road Transport and Traffic Fund, and recoups of interest, &c., from undertakings outside the Budget. (b) To avoid duplication in aggregating particulars for the Commonwealth and States, the grand totals exclude payments by the Commonwealth to the States of compensation in respect of uniform taxation, interest on States' debts, special grants, prices, &c., control reimbursement grants and Coal Strike emergency grant; also deductions have been made of pay-roll tax payments by State Governments to the Commonwealth Government. (c) Includes payments to State Trust Funds. (d) Excludes interest, &c., charges.

NET LOAN EXPENDITURE ON WORKS.

(£'000.)

Six months ended December.	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.	Total, Six States.	Common- wealth.	Grand Total.
1949 ..	12,161	7,470	2,803	2,919	3,161	1,893	30,407	50,203	80,610
1950 ..	14,041	12,132	5,491	5,998	4,896	7,751	50,309	24,013	74,322

TAXATION.—COMMONWEALTH AND STATE, 1949-50.(a)

(£'000.)

State, &c.	Customs and Excise.	Income Taxes. (b)	Land Tax.	Probate and Succession Duties.	Other Stamp Duties (n.e.i.).	Motor Taxes.	Enter-tainments (including Racing).	All other Taxes.	Total Taxes.
New South Wales ..	..	159	2	5,141	3,979	4,647	1,353	1,303	16,584
Victoria ..	..	66	293	2,611	2,377	3,179	1,482	806	10,814
Queensland ..	..	16	368	1,372	1,557	1,714	221	856	6,104
South Australia ..	..	3	283	825	637	1,267	344	116	3,475
Western Australia ..	..	22	158	405	673	828	216	216	2,518
Tasmania ..	..	1	97	246	208	403	125	1,166	2,246
Total States ..	..	267	1,201	10,600	9,431	12,038	3,741	4,463	41,741
Commonwealth ..	143,883	279,654	4,210	6,054	..	..	4,698	80,460	518,959
Grand Total ..	143,883	279,921	5,411	16,654	9,431	12,038	8,439	84,923	560,700

PER HEAD OF POPULATION.(c)

(£ s. d.)

State, &c.	Customs and Excise.	Income Taxes.	Land Tax.	Probate and Succession Duties.	Other Stamp Duties (n.e.i.).	Motor Taxes.	Enter-tainments (including Racing).	All other Taxes.	Total Taxes.
New South Wales ..	..	0 1 0	..	1 12 5	1 5 2	1 9 4	0 8 6	0 8 2	5 4 7
Victoria ..	..	0 0 7	0 2 8	1 4 1	1 1 11	1 9 4	0 13 8	0 7 5	4 19 8
Queensland ..	..	0 0 3	0 6 4	1 3 7	1 6 9	1 9 6	0 3 10	0 14 8	5 4 11
South Australia ..	..	0 0 1	0 8 3	1 4 0	0 18 7	1 16 11	0 10 0	0 3 4	5 1 2
Western Australia ..	..	0 0 9	0 5 10	0 14 10	1 4 8	1 10 4	0 7 11	0 7 11	4 12 3
Tasmania ..	..	0 0 1	0 7 0	0 17 9	0 15 0	1 9 0	0 9 1	4 4 1	8 2 0
Total States ..	..	0 0 8	0 3 0	1 6 6	1 3 6	1 10 0	0 9 4	0 11 2	5 4 2
Commonwealth ..	17 17 5	34 14 10	0 10 6	0 15 0	..	..	0 11 8	10 0 0	64 9 5
Grand Total ..	17 17 5	34 15 6	0 13 5	2 1 5	1 3 5	1 9 11	1 0 11	10 11 1	69 13 1

(a) Includes taxes paid to Special Funds. The collections have been grouped according to the nature of the tax rather than the method of collection. See page 48 for details of Commonwealth Taxation. (b) Excludes payments by Commonwealth to States under the *States Grants (Tax Reimbursement) Act 1946-48*. (c) Based on mean population for the financial year.

TAXATION.—COMMONWEALTH AND STATE.

(£'000.)

Year.	Taxation by Commonwealth Government.					Taxation by State Governments.	Total Taxation.
	Customs and Excise.	Income Taxes.	Sales Tax.	Other.	Total.		
1938-39 ..	47,633	11,883	9,308	5,287	74,111	50,507	124,618
1946-47 ..	102,246	207,765	36,265	39,340	385,616	(a) 28,426	414,042
1947-48 ..	115,605	232,900	34,728	39,180	422,413	(a) 32,132	454,545
1948-49 ..	126,200	272,347	39,029	53,237	490,813	(a) 36,390	527,203
1949-50 ..	143,883	279,654	42,425	52,997	518,959	(a) 41,741	560,700

PER HEAD OF POPULATION.(b)

(£ s. d.)

Year.	Customs and Excise.	Income Taxes.	Sales Tax.	Other.	Total.	Taxation by State Governments.	Total Taxation.
1938-39 ..	6 17 5	1 14 3	1 6 10	0 15 3	10 13 9	7 6 1	17 19 5
1946-47 ..	13 12 0	27 12 8	4 16 5	5 4 8	51 5 9	(a) 3 15 11	55 1 4
1947-48 ..	15 2 7	30 9 8	4 10 11	5 2 7	55 5 9	(a) 4 4 5	59 9 11
1948-49 ..	16 3 8	34 18 4	5 0 1	6 16 7	62 18 8	(a) 4 13 8	67 12 0
1949-50 ..	17 17 5	34 14 10	5 5 5	6 11 9	64 9 5	(a) 5 4 2	69 13

(a) Excludes payments by Commonwealth to States under Tax Reimbursement Acts. (b) Based on mean population of the Commonwealth and of the six States for each financial year.

TAXATION.—COMMONWEALTH REIMBURSEMENTS TO STATES AND STATE COLLECTIONS, 1949-50.

Particulars.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.	Total.
Commonwealth Tax Re-imbursement ..	£'000. 25,331	£'000. 14,237	£'000. 10,215	£'000. 5,367	£'000. 5,151	£'000. 1,970	£'000. 62,271
State Tax Collections ..	16,584	10,814	6,104	3,475	2,518	2,246	41,741
Total ..	41,915	25,051	16,319	8,842	7,669	4,216	104,012
Per head of population ..	£ s. d. 13 4 4	£ s. d. 11 10 10	£ s. d. 14 0 7	£ s. d. 12 17 6	£ s. d. 14 1 0	£ s. d. 15 4 0	£ s. d. 12 19 6

COMMONWEALTH AND STATE PUBLIC DEBT, AND INTEREST PAYABLE
AT 31st DECEMBER, 1950.
(£'000.)

Debt on Account of—	Australia. £ (Aust.)	London. £ (Stg.)	New York. £ (a)	Total. £ (b)
DEBT.				
Commonwealth—				
War (1914–18)	156,725	(c) 8,333	..	165,058
War (1939–45)	1,484,963	5,775	..	1,490,738
Works and other Purposes	111,030	50,663	15,638	177,331
Total, Commonwealth Purposes	1,752,718	64,771	15,638	1,833,127
Per Head of Population (d)	£212 13 4	£7 17 2	£1 18 0	£222 8 6
State—				
Debts of the States	843,885	292,281	24,354	1,160,520
Per Head of Population (e)	£102 16 11	£35 12 5	£2 19 4	£141 8 8
Total Public Debt	2,596,603	357,052	39,992	2,993,647
Per Head of Population (d)	£315 1 2	£43 6 6	£4 17 1	£363 4 9

ANNUAL INTEREST PAYABLE.

Commonwealth—				
War (1914–18)	5,606	(c) 252	..	5,858
War (1939–45)	38,599	231	..	38,830
Works and other Purposes	3,289	1,676	688	5,653
Total, Commonwealth Purposes	47,494	2,159	688	50,341
Average Rate per cent. (f) ..	£2 14 3	£3 6 8	£4 8 0	£2 15 0
State—				
Debts of the States	26,353	9,087	901	36,341
Average Rate per cent. (f) ..	£3 2 6	£3 2 2	£3 14 0	£3 2 8
Grand Total	73,847	11,246	1,589	86,682
Average Rate per cent. (f) ..	£2 16 11	£3 3 0	£3 19 6	£2 17 11

(a) Payable in dollars. For the purpose of this table, dollars have been converted on the basis of \$4.8665 to £1. (b) The total "face" or "book" values of the Public Debt of the Commonwealth and States, without adjustment on account of differences in currency (*see* footnote (a)). Annual Interest Payable is the nominal amount, taking no account of exchange. (c) Excludes debt (£79,724,000) and interest payable (£3,920,000) due to United Kingdom Government under the *Funding Arrangements Act 1921*. Repayment of this debt and payment of interest were suspended in 1931 by arrangement with the United Kingdom Government. (d) Based on estimated population of Australia (including A.C.T. and N.T.) at 30th September, 1950. (e) Based on estimated aggregate population of the six States at 30th September, 1950. (f) Overdue debt, and War and National Savings Stamps are excluded for calculating average rate.

COMMONWEALTH AND STATE SHORT-TERM DEBT. (a)
(£'000.)

Debt.	Where Redeemable.	At 30th June—								At 31st Dec.,
		1943.	1944.	1945.	1946.	1947.	1948.	1949.	1950.	
Commonwealth	Australia £A.	259,250	343,280	343,280	343,280	278,280	208,280	123,280	108,280	153,280
	London £Stg.	3,220	2,970	2,720	2,470	2,220	1,970	1,720	1,470	1,220
State	Australia £A.	39,200	33,075	330	22,868	22,868	22,868	22,868	22,868	2,000
	London £Stg.	23,730	22,868	22,868	22,868	22,868	22,868	22,868	22,868	22,868
Total	Australia £A.	298,450	376,355	343,610	343,280	278,280	208,280	123,280	108,280	155,280
	London £Stg.	26,950	25,838	25,588	25,338	25,088	24,838	24,588	24,338	24,088

(a) Excludes Overdrafts and Internal Treasury Bills.

COMMONWEALTH AND STATE PUBLIC DEBT.

Particulars.	Where Redeemable or Payable.	At 30th June—				
		1939.	1947.	1948.	1949.	1950.
TOTAL DEBT. (£'000.)						
Commonwealth— War (1914-18)	Australia £A. London £Stg. <i>a</i>	175,194 11,020	158,742 10,645	154,046 10,645	153,900 10,645	156,730 8,333
War (1939-45)	Australia £A. London £Stg.	.. ..	1,531,532 5,775	1,508,195 5,775	1,485,877 5,775	1,491,476 5,775
Works, &c. ..	Australia £A. London £Stg. New York £(b)	43,303 72,097 15,913	65,098 53,285 15,798	77,906 52,991 15,855	92,433 52,741 15,798	101,204 51,378 15,731
Total ..	Australia £A. London £Stg. New York £(b)	218,497 83,117 15,913	1,755,372 69,705 15,798	1,740,147 69,411 15,855	1,732,210 69,161 15,798	1,749,410 65,486 15,731
Total ..	..	317,527	1,840,875	1,825,413	1,817,169	1,830,627
State ..	Australia £A. London £Stg. New York £(b)	485,179 384,328 28,265	568,141 333,306 24,802	611,763 328,190 24,849	666,873 317,347 24,664	750,108 304,261 24,440
Total ..	..	897,772	926,249	964,802	1,008,884	1,078,809
Grand Total ..	Australia £A. London £Stg. New York £(b)	703,676 467,445 44,178	2,323,513 403,011 40,600	2,351,910 397,601 40,704	2,399,083 386,508 40,462	2,499,518 369,747 40,171
Total ..	..	1,215,299	2,767,124	2,790,215	2,826,053	2,909,436

DEBT PER HEAD OF POPULATION.
(£ s. d.)

Commonwealth—						
War (1914-18)	Australia £A.	25 2 10	20 18 10	19 19 7	19 9 0	19 2 11
	London £Stg. <i>a</i>	1 11 8	1 8 1	1 7 7	1 6 11	1 0 5
War (1939-45)	Australia £A.	..	202 0 6	195 12 2	187 16 2	182 4 2
	London £Stg.	..	0 15 3	0 15 0	0 14 7	0 14 1
Works, &c. ..	Australia £A.	6 4 4	8 11 9	10 2 1	11 13 8	12 7 4
	London £Stg.	10 6 11	7 0 7	6 17 5	6 13 4	6 5 6
	New York £(b)	2 5 8	2 1 8	2 1 2	1 19 11	1 18 5
Total ..	Australia £A.	31 7 2	231 11 1	225 13 10	218 18 10	213 14 5
	London £Stg.	11 18 7	9 3 11	9 0 0	8 14 10	8 0 0
	New York £(b)	2 5 8	2 1 8	2 1 2	1 19 11	1 18 5
Total ..	..	45 11 5	242 16 8	236 15 0	229 13 7	223 12 10
State ..	Australia £A.	69 16 4	75 4 5	79 13 4	84 12 11	92 0 11
	London £Stg.	55 6 1	44 2 7	42 14 9	40 5 7	37 6 8
	New York £(b)	4 1 4	3 5 8	3 4 9	3 2 7	3 0 0
Total ..	..	129 3 9	122 12 8	125 12 10	128 1 1	132 7 7
Grand Total ..	Australia £A.	100 19 8	306 10 0	305 0 9	303 4 7	305 7 2
	London £Stg.	67 1 8	53 3 3	51 11 4	48 17 1	45 3 5
	New York £(b)	6 6 10	5 7 1	5 5 7	5 2 3	4 18 2
Total ..	..	174 8 2	365 0 4	361 17 8	357 3 11	355 8 9

ANNUAL INTEREST PAYABLE.
(£'000.)

Grand Total, Commonwealth and State ..	Australia £A.	25,585	65,781	67,578	69,446	72,297
	London £Stg. <i>a</i>	18,366	13,696	13,133	12,294	11,683
	New York £(b)	2,219	1,732	1,614	1,606	1,597
Total(c) ..	..	46,170	81,209	82,325	83,346	85,577

AVERAGE RATES OF INTEREST PAYABLE PER CENT(d).
(£ s. d.)

Commonwealth and State ..	Australia ..	3 12 9	2 16 8	2 17 6	2 18 0	2 17 11
	London(a) ..	3 18 7	3 8 0	3 6 1	3 3 7	3 3 2
	New York ..	5 0 6	4 5 4	3 19 4	3 19 5	3 19 6
Total(e) ..	..	3 16 0	2 18 9	2 19 0	2 19 1	2 18 10

(a) See footnote (c), page 57.

and interest payable, page 57.

taking no account of exchange.

of interest payable, taking no account of exchange.

(b) See footnote (a) to table on Commonwealth and State Public Debt

(c) The totals shown represent the nominal amount of interest payable,

(d) See footnote (f), page 57.

(e) Based on the nominal amount

Section VI.—Social Services, War and Service Pensions.

COMMONWEALTH EXPENDITURE ON SOCIAL SERVICES.

(£'000.)

Social Service.	1938-39.	1947-48.	1948-49.	1949-50.	6 months ended Dec. 1950.
Age and Invalid Pensions	15,992	36,526	41,694	44,557	23,273
Funeral Benefits .. ..	..	210	253	246	136
Child Endowment .. ..	..	19,426	24,323	30,337	21,996
Widows' Pensions .. ..	..	3,904	4,389	4,421	2,540
Maternity Allowances	437	2,854	2,829	3,008	1,487
Unemployment and Sickness Benefits ..	..	1,217	1,070	2,506	562
Hospital Benefits .. ..	..	4,448	5,885	6,320	3,238
Tuberculosis Benefits .. ..	..	28	151	534	735
Pharmaceutical Benefits .. ..	..	..	149	305	810
Community Rehabilitation .. ..	..	..	34	219	147
Mental Institutions .. ..	..	..	..	256	202
National Health Service (Miscellaneous) ..	..	..	..	94	59
Rental Rebates .. ..	..	..	..	1	1
Total	16,429	68,613	80,777	92,804	55,186

COMMONWEALTH AGE AND INVALID PENSIONERS AT 30th JUNE, 1950.

State.	Number of Pensioners at 30th June, 1950.			Number per 10,000 of Population.		Average Fortnightly Pension at 30th June, 1950.		Pensions Paid during 1949-50. (a)	
	Age.	Invalid.	Total Age and Invalid.	Age.	Invalid.	Age.	Invalid.	Amount.	Per head of Popn. (b)
						s. d.	s. d.	£	s. d.
New South Wales(c)	138,121	34,604	172,725	426	107	79 10	81 10	18,735,783	117 5
Victoria ..	84,831	14,328	99,159	385	65	81 9	81 3	10,783,586	99 5
Queensland ..	45,937	12,155	58,092	388	103	82 2	83 5	6,383,375	109 9
South Australia(d) ..	30,316	4,955	35,271	424	69	81 4	83 3	3,943,655	112 6
Western Australia ..	24,316	4,294	28,610	436	77	80 9	81 3	3,087,830	113 2
Tasmania ..	11,402	3,158	14,560	408	113	79 7	81 8	1,622,932	117 0
Total ..	334,923	73,494	408,417	409	90	80 10	82 0	44,557,161	110 8

(a) Includes amounts paid to Benevolent Asylums and Hospitals for maintenance of pensioners and to pensioner inmates of these institutions and allowances to wives of invalid pensioners. (b) Based on mean population for the financial year. (c) Includes Australian Capital Territory. (d) Includes Northern Territory.

COMMONWEALTH AGE AND INVALID PENSIONERS SUMMARY.

Year ended 30th June—	Number of Pensioners.			Number of Pensioners in each 10,000 of Population.(a)		Pension Payments during Year. (b)	Average Fortnightly Pension at 30th June.
	Age.	Invalid.	Total.	Age.	Invalid.		
						£	s. d.
1911 ..	75,502	7,451	82,953	168	17	1,847,440	19 1
1912 ..	79,071	10,763	89,834	170	23	2,149,659	19 0
1913 ..	82,943	13,739	96,682	172	29	2,301,675	19 6
1914 ..	87,780	16,865	104,645	177	34	2,592,201	19 5
1915 ..	90,892	20,417	111,309	182	41	2,718,939	19 5
1916 ..	91,783	23,439	115,222	186	47	2,891,597	19 4
1917 ..	93,672	26,781	120,453	190	54	3,554,135	24 3
1918 ..	95,387	29,912	125,299	190	59	3,793,037	24 3
1919 ..	95,969	31,999	127,968	185	62	3,936,626	24 2
1920 ..	99,170	35,231	134,401	185	66	4,484,304	29 1
1921 ..	102,415	37,981	140,396	188	69	5,150,241	28 9
1922 ..	105,096	39,019	144,115	189	70	5,380,034	28 9
1923 ..	107,389	40,064	147,453	189	70	5,424,016	28 9
1924 ..	113,054	42,617	155,671	195	73	6,523,881	33 9
1925 ..	117,516	44,840	162,356	198	75	6,992,905	33 8
1926 ..	126,918	48,803	175,721	210	80	8,252,387	38 7
1927 ..	133,234	52,399	185,633	215	85	9,144,589	38 6
1928 ..	139,367	55,517	194,884	221	88	9,790,346	38 5
1929 ..	145,393	59,148	204,541	227	93	10,124,239	38 5
1930 ..	155,196	63,304	218,500	240	98	10,791,325	38 5
1931 ..	172,177	68,343	240,520	264	104	11,710,953	38 4
1932 ..	183,317	72,292	255,609	279	110	11,125,956	33 3
1933 ..	176,425	72,742	249,167	266	110	10,771,061	31 10
1934 ..	187,453	73,212	260,665	281	110	10,963,090	33 8
1935 ..	197,126	76,852	273,978	293	114	11,762,030	33 7
1936 ..	206,748	80,487	287,235	305	119	12,797,726	34 8
1937 ..	215,690	83,396	299,086	316	122	13,998,793	36 8
1938 ..	224,154	86,096	310,250	325	125	15,798,687	38 6
1939 ..	232,836	88,812	321,648	334	127	15,991,782	38 5
1940(c)	272,896	58,696	331,592	388	83	16,459,245	38 6
1941 ..	276,760	58,921	335,681	389	83	17,366,365	(d)41 5
1942 ..	275,456	60,597	336,053	384	84	19,257,052	(d)48 4
1943 ..	267,239	58,081	325,320	369	80	22,292,835	(d)51 1
1944 ..	257,186	57,942	315,128	352	79	21,699,100	(d)51 11
1945 ..	252,634	58,281	310,915	342	79	21,701,127	51 5
1946 ..	264,826	62,868	327,694	355	84	26,962,420	(d)62 8
1947 ..	290,173	68,277	358,450	383	90	29,416,673	62 8
1948 ..	302,854	73,073	375,927	393	95	36,526,395	(d)71 11
1949 ..	321,327	76,056	397,383	406	96	41,693,680	(d)81 5
1950 ..	334,923	73,494	408,417	409	90	44,557,161	81 0

(a) At 30th June. (b) Includes payments to Benevolent Asylums and Hospitals for maintenance of pensioners, and to pensioner inmates of these institutions, and from year 1943-44 includes allowances to wives of invalid pensioners. (c) At 30th June, all invalid pensioners qualified for age pensions by age and residence were transferred to the age pensions list. (d) Increases, including retail price adjustment, since December, 1940, were as follows:—2s. December, 1940; 1s. April, 1941; 4s. December 1941; 3s. April, 1942; 1s. October, 1942; 1s. January, 1943; 1s. April, 1943; 1s. August, 1943; 11s. July, 1945; 10s. July, 1947; 10s. October, 1948; 15s. November, 1950. Rate £5 from 2nd November, 1950.

NOTE.—On 6th April, 1944, adjustment provision made on retail price index-numbers was abolished

COMMONWEALTH CHILD ENDOWMENT AT 30th JUNE, 1950.

State.	Endowed Families.		Number per 10,000 of Population.		Amount paid during 1949-50.	
	Claims in Force.	Endowed Children. (a)	Claims.	Endowed Children.	Amount.	Per head of Population. (b)
	No.	No.			£	s. d.
New South Wales(c)	263,959	717,071	813	2,209	11,610,671	72 9
Victoria ..	168,904	452,333	767	2,053	7,663,336	70 8
Queensland ..	99,582	285,413	841	2,411	5,047,987	86 10
South Australia(d) ..	57,695	154,642	806	2,161	2,468,881	70 5
Western Australia ..	48,456	133,557	869	2,393	2,303,638	84 5
Tasmania ..	24,286	70,744	869	2,532	1,241,430	89 6
Abroad ..	67	165	..	..	1,420	..
Total 1949-50 ..	662,949	1,813,925	810	2,216	30,337,363	75 5
1948-49 ..	620,819	1,083,994	785	1,370	24,323,413	62 5

(a) Excludes endowed children in approved institutions—22,397 in 375 institutions at 30th June, 1950; 21,805 in 369 institutions at 30th June, 1949. (b) Based on mean population for the financial year. (c) Includes Australian Capital Territory. (d) Includes Northern Territory.

NOTE.—From 1st July, 1941, the scheme provided for payment of 5s. per week (increased to 7s. 6d. per week from 26th June, 1945, and to 10s. per week from 9th November, 1948) for each child in excess of one under sixteen years of age maintained in a family, and for each child under sixteen years of age in an approved institution.

From 20th June, 1950, the rate of endowment payable has been (a) where the endowee has the custody of one child only—5s. per week; (b) where the endowee has the custody of two or more children—in respect of the elder or eldest child 5s. per week and in respect of each other child 10s. per week; and (c) for each child in an approved institution 10s. per week.

COMMONWEALTH WIDOWS' PENSIONS AT 30th JUNE, 1950.(a)

State.	Pensions Current.(b)		Number of Children for whom Pensions Payable.	Average Fortnightly Rate of Pension.	Pensions paid during 1949-50.	
	Number.	Per 10,000 of Population.			Amount.	Per Head of Population.(c)
				£ s. d.	£	s. d.
New South Wales(d)	17,079	53	7,573	3 19 2	1,773,422	11 1
Victoria ..	11,060	50	3,874	3 18 1	1,099,158	10 2
Queensland ..	6,970	59	3,086	4 1 3	730,577	12 7
South Australia(e) ..	3,525	49	1,340	3 18 9	363,674	10 5
Western Australia ..	2,876	52	1,218	3 19 9	296,926	10 11
Tasmania ..	1,384	50	669	3 19 2	156,809	11 4
Total 1949-50 ..	42,894	52	17,760	3 19 3	4,420,566	11 0
1948-49 ..	43,251	55	17,891	3 19 8	4,388,468	11 3

(a) The Commonwealth Government commenced to pay Widows' Pensions from 1st July, 1942. (b) Excludes fourteen (1949-50) and eleven (1948-49) pensions in respect of pensioners in Benevolent Asylums. (c) Based on mean population for the financial year. (d) Includes Australian Capital Territory. (e) Includes Northern Territory.

COMMONWEALTH MATERNITY ALLOWANCES.

Number and Amount of Claims Paid.

(The Maternity Allowance Act came into force on 10th October, 1912.)

Year ended 30th June—	N.S.W. (a)	Vic.	Q'land.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	N.T.	Australia.	
	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	£
1939 ..	30,860	20,819	12,880	7,162	5,213	3,940	42	80,916	436,614
1944 (b) ..	57,792	38,653	23,743	12,636	10,439	5,804	(c)	149,067	2,287,000
1945 ..	61,755	40,582	26,432	14,361	10,909	5,582	(c)	159,621	2,542,801
1946 ..	60,730	40,991	25,281	13,736	9,912	5,796	(c)	156,446	2,492,495
1947 ..	73,110	50,730	29,002	17,860	13,750	7,542	(c)	191,994	3,026,459
1948 ..	68,116	46,027	27,920	15,856	12,553	7,074	(c)	d 177,566	2,854,018
1949 ..	67,534	46,309	27,570	16,381	13,107	6,984	(c)	e 177,955	2,828,849
1950 ..	73,566	49,035	28,652	17,273	13,759	7,408	(c)	f 189,733	3,007,906
Total since 10.10.1912	1,803,752	1,193,415	695,987	402,781	300,154	192,969	1,127	4,590,315 (g)	35,754,474

(a) Includes Australian Capital Territory. (b) From 1st July, 1943, the means test was abolished.
(c) Included with South Australia. (d) Includes 20 claims paid abroad. (e) Includes 70 claims paid abroad.
(f) Includes 40 claims paid abroad. (g) Includes 130 claims paid abroad.

NOTE.—From 1st July, 1947, the allowances payable were as follows: (i) no other children under 16 years, £15; (ii) one or two other children under 16 years, £16; (iii) three or more other children under 16 years, £17 10s. Where more than one child is born at a birth the allowance is increased by £5 in respect of each additional child born at that birth.

UNEMPLOYMENT AND SICKNESS BENEFITS PAID.(a)

(For particulars of persons on benefit see page 81.)

(£.)

Period.	N.S.W. (b)	Vic.	Q'land.	S.A. (c)	W.A.	Tas.	Aust.
UNEMPLOYMENT BENEFIT.							
1945-46 Year ..	275,205	28,234	108,138	73,226	36,440	3,827	525,070
1946-47 " ..	172,141	150,060	441,048	20,064	110,700	7,809	910,822
1947-48 " ..	60,499	16,639	248,357	4,038	37,192	2,904	369,629
1948-49 " ..	23,279	2,417	99,591	580	9,986	2,993	138,846
1949-50 " ..	1,064,698	6,666	141,446	33,089	18,163	2,010	1,266,072
1948-49—March Quarter ..	4,509	392	38,541	82	2,109	578	46,211
June " ..	6,080	416	36,471	186	1,270	531	44,954
1949-50—September " ..	1,146,486	3,002	88,648	32,928	14,444	717	1,286,225
December " ..	Cr.86,108	1,206	5,501	Cr. 228	1,405	551	Cr.77,673
March " ..	2,792	1,001	23,214	353	1,067	428	28,555
June " ..	1,528	1,457	24,083	36	1,247	314	28,665
1950-51—September " ..	6,796	1,579	4,186	195	1,840	471	15,067
December " ..	4,753	4,055	2,148	123	1,281	332	12,692

SICKNESS BENEFIT.

1945-46 Year ..	198,943	139,267	76,306	53,076	34,817	23,459	525,865
1946-47 " ..	258,782	182,184	106,631	74,471	56,050	33,246	711,364
1947-48 " ..	302,987	209,128	103,521	79,110	58,255	38,326	791,327
1948-49 " ..	302,298	196,548	118,789	76,620	62,569	39,002	795,826
1949-50 " ..	307,315	217,782	111,840	83,826	58,323	36,928	816,014
1948-49—March Quarter ..	73,069	48,367	32,453	18,035	13,698	8,865	194,487
June " ..	65,905	46,270	32,242	17,309	15,171	9,066	185,963
1949-50—September " ..	76,894	61,065	21,270	22,230	15,065	11,007	207,531
December " ..	72,000	52,255	30,362	20,288	14,394	9,422	198,730
March " ..	80,596	52,864	31,881	20,692	14,828	8,373	206,234
June " ..	77,816	51,598	28,327	20,616	14,036	8,126	209,519
1950-51—September " ..	79,296	55,536	24,425	18,241	14,044	7,981	199,523
December " ..	76,705	49,335	28,001	18,822	13,493	7,878	194,234

(a) In addition, £4,274 (Australian total) was paid in Special Benefits during 1945-46; £27,939 during 1946-47; £56,518 during 1947-48; £135,754 during 1948-49; and £424,338 during 1949-50. (Amounts paid to new Australians are included in years 1947-48 to 1949-50.) (b) Includes Australian Capital Territory. (c) Includes Northern Territory.

NOTE.—The *Unemployment and Sickness Benefits Act 1944*, which came into operation on 1st July, 1945 (from 1st July, 1947, Part VII. of the *Social Services Consolidation Act 1947-1950*), provides for the payment of benefit to persons whose normal earnings have been interrupted through unemployment or sickness. The rate of benefit per week is 25s. for a married person or an unmarried adult, plus 20s. for dependent spouse and 5s. for a dependent child. For unmarried juveniles the rate of benefit is 15s. if under 18 years and 20s. if 18 and under 21 years. In certain cases 20s. per week may be paid in respect of claimant's housekeeper.

AUSTRALIAN WAR AND SERVICE PENSIONS AT 30th JUNE, 1950.

War Pensions.

Place of Payment.	NUMBER OF WAR PENSIONERS.				AVERAGE FORTNIGHTLY RATE OF PENSIONS.		
	Incapacitated Members of Forces.	Dependents of Deceased Members of Forces.	Dependents of Incapacitated Members of Forces.	Total.	Incapacitated Members of Forces.	Dependents of Deceased and Incapacitated Members of Forces.	All War Pensioners.
New South Wales(a) ..	64,998	17,133	91,558	173,689	£ s. d. 2 9 4	£ s. d. 1 3 8	£ s. d. 1 13 3
Victoria ..	46,553	13,743	61,297	121,593	2 10 8	1 7 1	1 16 2
Queensland ..	20,862	5,119	31,037	57,018	2 8 0	1 1 8	1 11 4
South Australia(b) ..	16,075	3,804	25,783	45,662	2 13 1	1 2 2	1 13 1
Western Australia ..	17,417	4,194	27,267	48,878	2 5 4	1 0 5	1 9 4
Tasmania ..	6,797	1,659	10,712	19,168	3 8 0	1 5 3	2 0 5
United Kingdom ..	1,449	1,366	1,582	4,397	3 2 1	2 13 8	2 16 5
Elsewhere ..	393	140	318	851	2 10 0	2 0 0	2 4 7
Total 1949-50 ..	174,544	47,158	249,554	471,256	2 10 4	1 4 2	1 13 10
1948-49 ..	166,116	46,558	227,441	440,115	2 8 0	1 4 9	1 13 6

Service Pensions.

Particulars.	N.S.W. (a)	Vic.	Q'land.	S. Aust. (b)	W. Aust.	Tas.	Aust.
Pensions Current—							
Age (Members of Forces) ..	2,877	1,641	1,303	607	866	154	7,448
Permanently Unemployable—							
Members of Forces	1,305	1,043	898	533	587	242	4,608
Dependents ..	1,012	972	553	439	450	172	3,598
Sufferers from Pulmonary Tuberculosis—							
Members of Forces	123	100	26	23	22	5	299
Dependents ..	161	127	25	39	28	5	385
Total 1949-50 ..	5,478	3,883	2,805	1,641	1,953	578	16,338
1948-49 ..	5,376	3,890	2,718	1,647	1,832	555	16,018
Average Fortnightly Pensions—							
Members of Forces ..	£ s. d. 3 15 5	£ s. d. 3 16 0	£ s. d. 3 16 7	£ s. d. 3 17 4	£ s. d. 3 10 10	£ s. d. 3 15 6	£ s. d. 3 15 5
Dependents ..	2 2 3	2 3 1	2 4 4	2 3 4	2 1 10	2 5 8	2 3 0
All Pensioners 1949-50	3 8 4	3 6 9	3 9 11	3 7 5	3 3 9	3 6 4	3 7 6
1948-49	3 9 0	3 6 11	3 10 0	3 8 1	3 4 3	3 6 5	3 7 11

Expenditure.

(£.)

Place of Payment.	1944-45.	1945-46.	1946-47.	1947-48.	1948-49.	1949-50.
WAR PENSIONS.						
New South Wales(a) ..	4,068,399	4,874,706	5,663,529	5,984,610	6,713,900	7,392,793
Victoria ..	3,245,026	3,640,063	4,081,324	4,436,021	5,249,295	5,857,536
Queensland ..	1,291,869	1,466,574	1,616,412	1,793,996	2,074,951	2,381,093
South Australia(b) ..	851,527	1,049,768	1,243,066	1,402,474	1,717,225	1,947,536
Western Australia ..	1,052,734	1,264,951	1,427,953	1,499,821	1,758,028	1,887,885
Tasmania ..	551,350	624,354	726,216	782,474	908,734	1,017,889
Elsewhere ..	336,480	337,801	297,140	363,377	332,359	370,447
Total ..	11,397,385	13,258,217	15,055,640	16,262,773	18,754,492	20,864,179
Includes War (1939-45) ..	2,763,796	4,903,409	6,746,192	7,578,512	8,992,884	10,435,150

SERVICE PENSIONS.

New South Wales(a) ..	199,535	253,274	275,948	446,404	441,541	477,845
Victoria ..	169,716	206,276	239,650	288,084	322,659	347,274
Queensland ..	113,847	141,965	155,988	198,257	226,079	247,842
South Australia(b) ..	66,651	85,803	102,937	121,638	142,015	142,339
Western Australia ..	72,158	86,339	95,786	144,936	150,375	165,639
Tasmania ..	27,089	31,223	33,811	38,793	46,286	50,748
Total ..	648,996	804,880	904,120	1,238,112	1,328,955	1,431,687
Includes War (1939-45) ..	7,528	11,372	15,786	25,315	30,880	39,757

(a) Includes Australian Capital Territory.

(b) Includes Northern Territory.

Section VII.—Private Finance.

CHEQUE-PAYING BANKS.

Average Liabilities within Australia.(a)
(£'000.)

Period.	Inter- minable Deposits or Deposit Stock.	Deposits.			Notes in Circu- lation.	Balances due to other Banks. (b)	Bills payable and all other Lia- bilities.	Total Lia- bilities.
		Not Bearing Interest.	Bearing Interest.	Total.				
COMMONWEALTH BANK OF AUSTRALIA.(c)								
Quarter ended Dec., 1949	..	78,407	14,200	92,607	..	13,921	8,043	114,571
" " Mar., 1950	..	72,598	16,023	88,621	..	15,310	25,276	129,207
" " June, 1950	..	71,757	16,123	87,880	..	15,538	33,806	137,224
" " Sept., 1950	..	76,446	17,467	93,913	..	16,555	13,218	123,686
" " Dec., 1950	..	94,477	18,297	112,774	..	16,724	10,519	140,017
1949—Month of Oct.	..	72,690	12,876	85,566	..	13,151	7,519	106,236
" " Nov.	..	80,032	14,151	94,183	..	13,802	8,078	116,063
" " Dec.	..	82,091	15,585	97,676	..	14,839	8,525	121,040
1950—Month of Oct.	..	87,420	17,944	105,364	..	16,489	12,875	134,728
" " Nov.	..	95,406	18,463	113,869	..	16,594	9,020	139,483
" " Dec.(d)	..	102,336	18,491	120,827	..	17,253	9,875	147,955

NINE TRADING BANKS.(e)

Quarter ended Dec., 1949	..	729	648,494	218,425	866,919	158	19,737	13,410	900,953
" " Mar., 1950	..	729	741,446	229,247	970,693	158	29,196	13,930	1,014,706
" " June, 1950	..	729	769,975	237,670	1,007,645	158	47,298	15,342	1,071,172
" " Sept., 1950	..	729	749,394	244,263	993,657	158	44,648	13,664	1,052,856
" " Dec., 1950	..	729	843,785	248,865	1,092,650	158	50,946	18,333	1,162,816
1949—Month of Oct.	..	729	610,038	211,336	821,374	158	20,246	12,626	855,133
" " Nov.	..	729	644,147	221,092	865,239	158	21,466	13,644	901,236
" " Dec.	..	729	692,385	222,180	914,565	158	17,068	13,901	946,421
1950—Month of Oct.	..	729	808,408	248,739	1,057,147	158	45,230	17,052	1,120,316
" " Nov.	..	729	846,485	250,053	1,096,538	158	49,825	18,371	1,165,621
" " Dec.(d)	..	729	886,454	247,055	1,133,509	158	60,439	19,977	1,214,812

OTHER CHEQUE-PAYING BANKS.(e)

Quarter ended Dec., 1949	..	20,341	19,849	8,707	28,556	..	173	1,155	50,225
" " Mar., 1950	..	20,077	26,818	10,231	37,049	..	183	1,265	58,574
" " June, 1950	..	19,907	26,594	13,695	40,289	..	209	1,367	61,772
" " Sept., 1950	..	20,366	25,997	11,376	37,373	..	144	1,482	59,365
" " Dec., 1950	..	20,240	28,086	12,256	40,342	..	152	1,660	62,394
1949—Month of Oct.	..	20,490	18,668	8,410	27,078	..	112	1,155	48,835
" " Nov.	..	20,409	19,906	8,671	28,577	..	209	1,145	50,340
" " Dec.	..	20,107	20,960	9,049	30,009	..	190	1,166	51,472
1950—Month of Oct.	..	20,345	27,649	11,889	39,538	..	150	1,575	61,608
" " Nov.	..	20,336	27,662	12,342	40,004	..	155	1,746	62,241
" " Dec.(d)	..	19,940	29,377	12,601	41,978	..	148	1,631	63,697

ALL CHEQUE-PAYING BANKS.

Quarter ended Dec., 1949	..	21,070	746,750	241,332	988,082	158	33,831	22,608	1,065,749
" " Mar., 1950	..	20,806	840,862	255,501	1,096,363	158	44,689	40,471	1,202,487
" " June, 1950	..	20,636	868,326	267,488	1,135,814	158	63,045	50,515	1,270,168
" " Sept., 1950	..	21,095	851,837	273,106	1,124,943	158	61,347	28,364	1,235,907
" " Dec., 1950	..	20,969	966,348	279,418	1,245,766	158	67,822	30,512	1,365,227
1949—Month of Oct.	..	21,219	701,396	232,622	934,018	158	33,509	21,300	1,010,204
" " Nov.	..	21,138	744,085	243,914	987,999	158	35,477	22,867	1,067,639
" " Dec.	..	20,836	795,436	246,814	1,042,250	158	32,097	23,592	1,118,933
1950—Month of Oct.	..	21,074	923,477	278,572	1,202,049	158	61,869	31,502	1,316,652
" " Nov.	..	21,065	969,553	280,858	1,250,411	158	66,574	29,137	1,367,345
" " Dec.(d)	..	20,669	1,018,168	278,146	1,296,314	158	77,840	31,483	1,426,464

(a) Averages of liabilities at close of business on Wednesdays in periods. (b) Includes Short Term Loans from Central Bank. (c) Includes the General Banking Division and the Rural Credits, Industrial Finance and Mortgage Bank Departments. (d) Averages calculated from returns for first three weeks only. (e) Compiled from returns lodged under *Banking Act 1945*. See page 66 for earlier periods for Nine Trading Banks.

Cheque-paying Banks—continued.
Average Assets within Australia.(a)
(£'000.)

Period.	Cash and Cash Balances. (b)	Special Account with C'w'lth Bank.	Balances with other Banks. (c)	Australian Public Securities.		Other Securities.	Loans, Advances and Bills Discounted.	All other Assets.	Total Assets.
				Treasury Bills.	Other.				
COMMONWEALTH BANK OF AUSTRALIA.(d)									
Quarter ended Dec., 1949 ..	22,863	..	562	..	35,535	73	69,559	1,573	130,165
" " Mar., 1950 ..	9,417	..	556	1,346	41,228	73	90,056	1,736	144,412
" " June, 1950 ..	5,289	..	601	6,500	33,381	73	103,878	1,960	151,682
" " Sept., 1950 ..	6,387	..	622	7,654	29,804	61	93,844	2,023	140,395
" " Dec., 1950 ..	9,808	..	909	16,333	34,074	62	93,040	2,334	156,560
1949—Month of Oct. ..	21,253	..	454	..	31,573	74	67,190	1,529	122,073
" " Nov. ..	25,700	..	522	..	34,274	73	69,345	1,561	131,475
" " Dec. ..	20,928	..	719	..	41,074	73	72,196	1,631	136,621
1950—Month of Oct. ..	5,922	..	642	14,250	32,574	61	95,487	2,332	151,268
" " Nov. ..	10,572	..	783	15,600	35,574	62	91,089	2,344	156,024
" " Dec.(e) ..	13,716	..	1,476	20,333	33,574	63	93,029	2,317	164,508

NINE TRADING BANKS.(f)

Quarter ended Dec., 1949 ..	55,441	321,453	18,998	33,177	76,398	334	403,222	18,865	927,888
" " Mar., 1950 ..	55,208	405,069	18,251	34,596	90,113	350	402,037	18,318	1,023,942
" " June, 1950 ..	50,677	456,145	19,785	24,442	95,888	972	418,370	17,396	1,083,675
" " Sept., 1950 ..	53,533	440,107	17,475	13,904	96,059	1,017	444,580	17,987	1,089,662
" " Dec., 1950 ..	58,657	474,557	23,292	33,042	82,740	1,255	467,170	18,388	1,168,101
1949—Month of Oct. ..	51,797	306,953	15,936	25,200	75,670	339	400,712	18,918	895,525
" " Nov. ..	56,296	320,253	20,617	30,600	76,103	331	404,628	19,136	927,964
" " Dec. ..	58,016	337,453	20,036	44,375	77,498	330	403,973	18,476	960,157
1950—Month of Oct. ..	58,150	458,828	21,363	29,025	84,602	1,225	465,026	18,173	1,136,992
" " Nov. ..	56,972	480,303	23,036	33,550	80,678	1,254	476,507	18,345	1,170,645
" " Dec.(e) ..	62,143	485,953	26,289	36,750	83,693	1,299	490,465	18,747	1,205,339

OTHER CHEQUE-PAYING BANKS.(f)

Quarter ended Dec., 1949 ..	3,763	1,717	1,231	346	11,878	230	45,329	3,718	68,212
" " Mar., 1950 ..	5,153	2,328	1,305	1,689	13,505	245	46,574	4,636	75,435
" " June, 1950 ..	4,217	4,817	1,204	2,050	13,899	245	49,533	4,162	80,127
" " Sept., 1950 ..	3,112	3,871	1,476	980	10,919	243	54,422	3,826	78,849
" " Dec., 1950 ..	4,588	3,279	1,640	1,051	11,112	95	57,129	3,719	82,613
1949—Month of Oct. ..	3,269	1,717	1,097	200	11,938	198	44,913	3,685	67,017
" " Nov. ..	3,948	1,717	1,388	200	11,771	244	45,256	3,587	68,111
" " Dec. ..	4,024	1,717	1,170	675	11,950	245	45,837	3,914	69,532
1950—Month of Oct. ..	4,385	3,717	1,458	980	10,898	96	56,181	3,691	81,466
" " Nov. ..	4,821	3,117	1,568	840	10,993	95	57,419	3,806	82,664
" " Dec.(e) ..	4,469	2,967	2,003	1,497	11,586	95	57,911	3,612	84,140

ALL CHEQUE-PAYING BANKS.

Quarter ended Dec., 1949 ..	82,067	323,170	20,791	33,523	123,811	637	518,110	24,156	1,126,265
" " Mar., 1950 ..	69,778	407,397	20,112	37,631	144,846	668	538,667	24,690	1,243,789
" " June, 1950 ..	60,183	460,962	21,590	32,992	143,168	1,290	571,781	23,518	1,315,484
" " Sept., 1950 ..	63,032	443,978	19,573	27,538	136,782	1,321	592,846	23,336	1,308,906
" " Dec., 1950 ..	73,053	477,836	25,841	50,426	127,926	1,412	626,339	24,441	1,407,274
1949—Month of Oct. ..	76,319	308,670	17,487	25,400	119,181	611	512,815	24,132	1,084,615
" " Nov. ..	85,944	321,970	22,527	30,800	122,148	648	519,229	24,284	1,127,550
" " Dec. ..	82,968	339,170	21,925	45,050	130,522	648	522,006	24,021	1,166,310
1950—Month of Oct. ..	68,457	462,545	23,463	44,855	128,074	1,382	616,694	24,196	1,369,666
" " Nov. ..	72,365	483,420	25,387	49,900	127,250	1,411	625,015	24,495	1,409,333
" " Dec.(e) ..	80,328	488,920	29,768	58,580	128,853	1,457	641,405	24,676	1,453,987

(a) Averages of assets at close of business on Wednesdays in periods. (b) Coin, bullion, Australian notes and cash with Commonwealth Bank. (c) Includes notes, cheques and bills of other banks. (d) See footnote (c), page 64. (e) Averages calculated on returns for first three weeks only. (f) Compiled from returns lodged under *Banking Act 1945*. See page 66 for earlier periods for Nine Trading Banks. (g) Includes Rural and Industries Bank of Western Australia account with State Treasury and State Bank of South Australia, deposit with State Treasury

COMMONWEALTH BANK OF AUSTRALIA.(a)
Average Liabilities and Assets within Australia.
 (£'000.)

Year.	Liabilities.				Assets.				
	Deposits.			Total Liabilities.	Cash and Cash Balances.	Australian Public Securities.		Loans, Advances and Bills Discounted.	Total Assets.
	Not Bearing Interest.	Bearing Interest.	Total.			Treasury Bills.	Other.		
1946-47	41,372	17,574	58,946	61,577	7,176	3,131	36,488	25,698	74,443
1947-48	44,549	13,873	58,422	62,454	7,432	1,189	32,662	33,338	76,728
1948-49	52,346	13,214	65,560	78,795	6,871	462	34,461	49,230	93,163
1949-50	72,311	14,775	87,086	120,053	13,975	1,962	35,352	81,669	135,292

(a) See footnote (c) page 64.

NINE TRADING BANKS.
(Excludes Commonwealth Bank.)
Average Liabilities within Australia.
 (£'000.)

Year.	Inter- min- able Deposits or Deposit Stock.	Deposits.			Notes in Cir- culation.	Balances due to other Banks. (a)	Bills Payable and all other Liabilities.	Total Liabilities.
		Not Bearing Interest.	Bearing Interest.	Total.				
1938-39	2,644	118,868	198,793	317,661	167	921	(c) 3,005	324,398
1946-47	889	429,749	206,862	636,611	159	1,748	7,792	647,199
1947-48	733	471,604	201,892	673,496	158	11,933	8,423	694,743
1948-49	729	565,140	211,262	776,402	158	32,522	10,576	820,387
1949-50	729	685,587	224,477	910,064	158	33,227	13,323	957,501

Average Assets within Australia.
 (£'000.)

Year.	Cash and Cash Balances. (d)	Special Account with Common- wealth Bank.	Balances with Other Banks.(e)	Australian Public Securities.(f)		Other Securi- ties.	Loans, Advances and Bills Dis- counted.	All Other Assets.	Total Assets.
				Treasury Bills.	Other.				
1938-39	33,597	..	3,938	21,533	20,477	(g)	128,109	(i) 9,421	377,075
1946-47	37,928	264,991	10,302	25,831	95,026	164	261,140	14,280	709,662
1947-48	44,390	262,258	12,254	18,089	65,606	1,874	329,850	17,154	751,475
1948-49	48,016	322,670	14,267	22,111	61,454	742	368,582	20,213	858,055
1949-50	51,960	377,006	17,683	26,502	83,814	536	403,889	18,272	979,662

(a) Includes Short Term Loans from Central Bank. (b) Includes Other Liabilities. (c) Excludes Other Liabilities—see footnote (b). (d) See footnote (b), page 65. (e) Includes notes, cheques and bills of other banks. (f) Government and Municipal Securities prior to September, 1945. (g) Included with Loans, Advances and Bills Discounted. (h) Includes other assets—see footnotes (g) and (i). (i) Landed and house property only. Other assets included with Loans, Advances and Bills Discounted.

COMMONWEALTH BANK OF AUSTRALIA.
Central Banking Business (Including Note Issue Department).
 (Averages of weekly figures.)
 (£A'000.)

Period.	Notes on Issue.			Special Accounts of Trading Banks.	Other Deposits of Trading Banks.	Other Li- abilities (excluding Capital and Reserve Funds).	Gold and Balances Held Abroad.	Govern- ment and Other Securi- ties (Includ- ing Treas- ury Bills).
	Held by—		Total.					
	Banks.	Public.						
Year 1946-47 ..	18,741	180,661	199,402	266,951	24,063	122,101	217,642	392,217
„ 1947-48 ..	22,245	175,845	198,090	263,688	28,018	142,014	196,694	419,857
„ 1948-49 ..	24,912	178,649	203,561	323,930	29,764	174,647	336,175	356,260
„ 1949-50 ..	27,926	194,272	222,198	379,632	30,661	200,345	434,018	348,965
Qtr. ended Dec., 1949 ..	28,324	193,682	222,006	323,170	33,524	213,003	395,562	371,706
„ „ Mar., 1950 ..	28,582	195,058	223,640	407,397	34,237	215,269	456,555	352,721
„ „ June, 1950 ..	29,306	200,488	229,794	460,962	28,315	209,121	502,284	344,314
„ „ Sept., 1950 ..	29,182	205,069	234,251	443,978	30,237	206,091	533,555	327,996
„ „ Dec., 1950 ..	32,069	213,663	245,732	478,459	35,109	220,614	555,472	368,057
1949—Month of Oct. ..	26,857	190,081	216,938	308,670	30,868	214,200	381,755	365,274
„ „ Nov. ..	27,345	191,518	218,863	321,970	35,095	226,740	397,634	379,070
„ „ Dec. ..	31,013	199,988	231,001	339,170	34,217	194,637	406,778	368,934
1950—Month of Oct. ..	30,183	208,400	238,583	462,545	35,255	221,047	543,044	362,363
„ „ Nov. ..	30,677	210,543	241,220	483,420	33,851	220,115	559,218	365,900
„ „ Dec. ..	35,696	222,824	258,520	488,170	36,536	220,806	563,218	376,448

ALL CHEQUE-PAYING BANKS—DEBITS TO CUSTOMERS' ACCOUNTS.^(a)

(£'000.)

Period.	New South Wales.	Victoria.	Queensland.	South Australia.	Western Australia.	Tasmania.	Australian Capital Territory.	Total.
Year 1946-47 ..	65,690	55,433	16,972	10,457	7,189	3,374	119	159,234
" 1947-48(b) ..	78,383	64,285	20,019	12,722	8,746	3,947	142	188,244
" 1948-49 ..	91,990	77,699	24,546	15,493	10,770	4,699	205	225,402
" 1949-50 ..	115,208	101,877	29,668	19,339	13,822	5,605	265	285,784
Qtr. ended Dec., 1949 ..	115,883	103,055	30,261	19,523	14,018	5,179	232	288,151
" " Mar., 1950 ..	118,889	105,184	28,929	21,260	16,193	5,826	257	296,538
" " June, 1950 ..	129,618	115,120	33,502	20,596	13,838	6,315	318	319,307
" " Sept., 1950 ..	129,807	113,656	33,564	22,040	15,319	6,461	322	321,169
" " Dec., 1950 ..	159,018	138,708	40,320	25,900	19,181	6,583	360	390,070
1949—Month of Oct. ..	106,857	93,452	27,835	17,995	12,658	5,082	212	264,091
" " Nov. ..	118,461	99,156	30,087	19,867	14,769	5,122	239	287,701
" " Dec. ..	121,687	117,531	32,906	20,621	14,439	5,346	243	312,773
1950—Month of Oct. ..	146,293	134,194	38,927	24,705	17,922	6,548	358	368,947
" " Nov. ..	159,334	136,664	40,823	24,947	19,102	6,438	373	387,681
" " Dec. ..	171,348	145,778	41,085	28,284	20,539	6,798	346	414,178

(a) Compiled from returns lodged under *Banking Act* 1945. (b) From January, 1948, debits to customers' accounts relating to the transfer of accounts from the Queensland National Bank Ltd. (in voluntary liquidation) to the National Bank of Australasia Ltd. have been excluded.

BANK CLEARING HOUSES—AVERAGE WEEKLY VALUE OF BILLS, CHEQUES, ETC., CLEARED.^(a)

(£'000.)

Weekly Average.	Sydney.	Melbourne.	Brisbane.	Adelaide.	Perth.	Hobart.	Six Capitals.
Year 1938-39 ..	17,832	15,415	4,212	2,953	2,055	623	43,090
" 1946-47 ..	38,580	35,631	7,978	6,469	3,926	1,310	93,894
" 1947-48 ..	44,786	41,237	9,288	8,038	4,892	1,543	109,784
" 1948-49 ..	53,519	48,870	11,131	9,663	6,039	1,778	131,000
" 1949-50 ..	64,909	61,003	13,278	11,604	7,458	2,116	160,368
1949—							
29th September to 26th October	60,016	58,126	12,650	11,279	6,896	2,011	150,978
27th October to 30th November	67,042	60,822	13,337	12,329	7,822	1,858	163,210
1st December to 31st December	67,748	68,031	15,205	12,258	8,392	2,034	173,668
1950—							
28th September to 25th October	84,310	78,363	18,349	16,482	10,005	2,461	209,975
26th October to 29th November	86,826	77,973	18,939	14,888	11,104	2,351	212,081
30th November to 31st Dec. ..	95,111	84,513	18,543	16,353	11,461	2,446	228,427

(a) Average weekly clearings excluding transactions connected with the issue and redemption of Treasury Bills.

SAVINGS BANKS—DEPOSITS.(a)

(£'000.)

Amount on deposit at end of—	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.	N. Terr.	Aust. Cap. Terr.	Total.
June—									
1939 ..	87,474	80,461	29,045	27,397	12,396	8,396	99	319	245,587
1947 ..	231,368	216,107	85,602	67,900	36,625	20,856	537	1,020	660,015
1948 ..	236,964	226,401	84,836	73,613	36,183	21,572	649	1,100	681,318
1949 ..	244,483	239,246	87,442	81,163	37,535	22,413	726	1,211	714,219
1950 ..	258,874	257,121	92,200	87,698	39,612	24,272	859	1,451	762,087
1949—									
Oct. ..	247,919	243,845	89,626	82,800	38,384	23,219	773	1,315	727,881
Nov. ..	248,356	244,591	89,738	83,193	38,367	23,139	795	1,325	729,504
Dec. ..	249,019	246,015	89,947	83,516	38,291	23,227	787	1,325	732,127
1950—									
Oct. ..	259,274	258,315	93,390	88,659	40,004	24,589	883	1,498	766,612
Nov. ..	258,950	258,469	93,445	88,947	39,936	24,507	879	1,532	766,665
Dec. ..	260,142	259,262	93,856	89,281	39,809	24,508	861	1,505	769,224

(a) Includes Commonwealth Savings Bank.

NOTE.—Sales of War Savings and Savings Certificates were discontinued after 31st January, 1949, except for sales to wind up savings groups, &c. The net amount outstanding at the end of December, 1950, was £51,423,000.

COMMONWEALTH SAVINGS BANK—DEPOSITS.

(£'000.)

Amount on deposit at end of—	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.	N. Terr.	Aust. Cap. Terr.	Total.
June—									
1939 ..	87,474	11,242	29,045	3,167	12,396	2,358	99	319	146,100
1947 ..	231,368	47,959	85,602	12,892	36,625	7,947	537	1,020	423,950
1948 ..	236,964	48,620	84,836	12,993	36,183	8,028	649	1,100	429,373
1949 ..	244,483	51,887	87,442	14,587	37,535	8,362	726	1,211	446,233
1950 ..	258,874	58,441	92,200	16,657	39,612	9,145	859	1,451	477,239
1949—									
Oct. ..	247,919	53,437	89,626	15,159	38,384	8,604	773	1,315	455,217
Nov. ..	248,356	53,677	89,738	15,296	38,367	8,551	795	1,325	456,105
Dec. ..	249,019	54,325	89,947	15,399	38,291	8,593	787	1,325	457,686
1950—									
Oct. ..	259,274	59,799	93,390	17,302	40,004	9,256	883	1,498	481,406
Nov. ..	258,950	60,135	93,445	17,484	39,936	9,227	879	1,532	481,588
Dec. ..	260,142	60,505	93,856	17,591	39,809	9,230	861	1,505	483,499

COMMONWEALTH NOTES OUTSTANDING.

(£'000.)

Denomination.	25th December, 1939.	31st December, 1947.	29th December, 1948.	28th December, 1949.	27th December, 1950.
10s. ..	4,806	8,586	8,704	8,994	9,449
£1 ..	25,805	68,197	69,357	70,569	73,493
£5 ..	15,254	81,756	88,576	99,743	115,523
£10 ..	6,613	46,204	50,590	60,103	73,066
£20 ..	96	8	8	8	7
£50 ..	1,563	85	76	69	66
£100 ..	2,615	162	150	77	70
£1,000 ..	523	145	144	..	346
Held by banks	13,009	24,805	29,245	32,947	(a)
„ public	44,266	180,338	188,360	206,616	(a)
Total ..	57,275	205,143	217,605	239,563	272,020

(a) Not available.

LIFE ASSURANCE BUSINESS IN AUSTRALIA.^(a)New Policies Issued and Policies Matured and Otherwise Discontinued.^(b)

Period.	New Policies Issued.					Policies Matured and Otherwise Discontinued. ^(c)				
	Ordinary Department.		Industrial Department.		Total Sum Assured.	Ordinary Department.		Industrial Department.		Total Sum Assured.
	No.	Sum Assured.	No.	Sum Assured.		No.	Sum Assured.	No.	Sum Assured.	
Year 1939 ..	142,145	£'000.	385,498	£'000.	£'000.	76,902	£'000.	262,096	£'000.	£'000.
" 1946 ..	204,685	48,258	358,695	18,542	66,800	67,434	24,088	208,564	12,132	36,220
" 1947-48 ..	242,053	100,090	322,976	26,620	126,710	85,472	26,816	11,777	33,593	38,593
" 1948-49 ..	242,418	120,920	303,046	29,906	150,826	92,783	34,606	210,114	13,435	48,041
" 1949-50 ..	245,902	127,423	299,992	29,492	156,915	45,793	39,863	213,682	14,514	54,377
Quarter ended—										
December, 1948 ..	61,768	32,503	67,981	6,547	39,050	22,862	9,801	52,944	3,702	13,503
March, 1949 ..	42,793	22,547	63,944	6,265	28,812	21,969	9,698	51,644	3,576	13,274
June, 1949 ..	59,334	32,246	80,363	7,909	40,155	24,434	10,811	54,573	3,729	14,540
September, 1949 ..	73,332	40,982	82,843	8,195	49,177	24,720	11,204	55,857	3,711	14,915
December, 1949 ..	63,439	40,051	75,996	7,527	47,578	24,472	10,736	59,808	4,036	14,772
March, 1950 ..	49,046	28,697	62,902	6,323	35,020	23,755	11,138	54,745	3,910	15,048
June, 1950 ..	60,085	36,385	78,251	8,059	44,444	26,522	12,715	57,115	3,865	16,580
September, 1950 ..	76,007	47,676	81,782	8,493	56,169	31,330	13,384	53,523	3,683	17,067
December, 1950 ..	64,000	45,791	68,255	7,016	52,807	26,588	12,926	61,032	4,341	17,267

(a) Excludes business of the Government Insurance Office of New South Wales and the Queensland State Government Insurance Office. (b) Excludes Annuity Policies. (c) Includes policies which became due for payment on account of death or maturity, policies surrendered and policies discontinued for other causes.

Premiums Received and Amounts Paid on Claims, Surrenders, &c.
(£'000.)

Period.	Premiums. ^(a)			Claims, &c., Paid. ^(b)		
	Ordinary Department.	Industrial Department.	Total.	Ordinary Department.	Industrial Department.	Total.
Year 1939 ..	13,720	6,490	20,210	9,998	3,631	13,629
" 1946 ..	22,068	9,879	31,947	13,099	5,201	18,300
" 1947-48 ..	27,091	10,920	38,011	12,527	5,647	18,174
" 1948-49 ..	30,475	11,598	42,073	13,339	5,964	19,303
" 1949-50 ..	34,525	12,034	46,559	14,687	6,149	20,836
Quarter ended—						
December, 1948 ..	7,541	3,042	10,583	3,273	1,494	4,767
March, 1949 ..	6,949	2,621	9,570	3,194	1,324	4,518
June, 1949 ..	8,197	2,903	11,100	3,362	1,547	4,909
September, 1949 ..	8,721	3,027	11,748	3,725	1,681	5,406
December, 1949 ..	8,375	3,239	11,614	3,647	1,573	5,220
March, 1950 ..	7,875	2,740	10,615	3,447	1,390	4,837
June, 1950 ..	9,554	3,028	12,582	3,868	1,505	5,373
September, 1950 ..	9,641	3,121	12,762	4,090	1,580	5,670
December, 1950 ..	9,470	3,414	12,884	3,956	1,491	5,447

(a) Includes consideration for annuities. (b) Includes claims paid on maturity, amounts paid on surrender of policy, annuities and bonuses paid in cash.

Section VIII.—Transport and Communication.

OVERSEA SHIPPING(a)—NET TONNAGE ENTERED AND CLEARED—
AUSTRALIA.

('000.)

Year.	Tonnage Entered.			Tonnage Cleared.		
	With Cargo.	In Ballast.	Total.	With Cargo.	In Ballast.	Total.
1938-39 ..	5,964	747	6,711	5,990	845	6,835
1945-46(a) ..	4,596	667	5,263	3,976	1,454	5,430
1946-47 ..	4,486	700	5,186	4,165	1,055	5,220
1947-48 ..	4,828	1,255	6,083	4,707	1,138	5,845
1948-49 ..	6,229	1,247	7,476	5,828	1,709	7,537
1949-50 ..	7,972	744	8,716	6,209	2,453	8,662

(a) Excludes particulars of vessels exclusively engaged in the transport of troops, war equipment and supplies.

OVERSEA AND INTERSTATE TONNAGE OF CARGO—Discharged and Shipped.

('000.)

NOTE.—Cargo recorded by measurement has been converted to tons measurement on the basis of 40 cubic feet = 1 ton. The figures in the measurement columns are not equivalent to those in the weight columns but are additional.

State or Territory.	Discharged.				Shipped.			
	Interstate.		Oversea.		Interstate.		Oversea.	
	Tons Weight.	Tons Measurement.	Tons Weight.	Tons Measurement.	Tons Weight.	Tons Measurement.	Tons Weight.	Tons Measurement.

1949-50 (three months).

New South Wales ..	348	81	552	282	486	101	348	102
Victoria ..	316	65	634	260	122	80	287	132
Queensland ..	59	76	178	66	80	30	269	32
South Australia ..	175	51	254	91	302	46	174	30
Western Australia ..	37	51	267	43	11	23	209	54
Tasmania ..	113	43	34	1	117	51	19	15
Northern Territory ..	6	..	14	..	2	..	..	..
Total ..	1,054	367	1,933	743	1,150	331	1,306	365

1950-51 (three months).

New South Wales ..	840	82	667	381	781	106	341	127
Victoria ..	475	45	810	354	119	63	345	98
Queensland ..	78	89	180	123	105	28	226	28
South Australia ..	328	57	365	80	780	63	248	15
Western Australia ..	67	63	319	46	10	30	198	46
Tasmania ..	102	86	55	22	116	79	17	6
Northern Territory ..	10	..	..	..	1	..	..	..
Total ..	1,900	422	2,396	1,006	1,912	369	1,375	320
Total—1949-50 ..	6,446	1,520	7,626	3,576	6,419	1,206	5,060	1,388
" 1948-49 ..	6,683	1,451	5,860	2,572	6,230	1,173	5,426	1,366
" 1947-48 ..	7,305	1,484	4,982	1,916	7,109	1,261	4,532	1,245
" 1946-47 ..	7,278	1,565	4,171	1,394	7,264	1,273	3,097	1,357
" 1938-39 ..	7,074	2,003	4,208	2,191	7,221	1,731	5,138	1,093

OVERSEA SHIPPING FREIGHT RATES FROM AUSTRALIA TO THE UNITED KINGDOM AND CONTINENT AT 31st DECEMBER, 1950.

These rates are expressed in sterling and are subject to an adjustment of 25½ per cent. on account of exchange when freight is prepaid in Australia.

(1 Ton Measurement = 40 Cubic Feet.)

FOODSTUFFS OF ANIMAL ORIGIN, EXCLUDING LIVE ANIMALS—

Butter (Refrigerator)	6s. 9d. per box (56 lb.)
Cheese (Refrigerator)	1½d. per lb.
Eggs (in shell)	200s. per ton measurement.
Meats—	
Preserved by Cold Process (Refrigerator)—	
Beef	1½d. per lb.
Lamb	2½d. " "
Mutton	2d. " "
Rabbits and Hares	157s. 6d. per ton measurement.
Preserved in tins	135s. " " "
Sausage Casings (dried, in casks or cases)	135s. " " "
Milk and Cream (condensed)	135s. " " "

FOODSTUFFS OF VEGETABLE ORIGIN—

Sugar (Raw)	75s. per ton weight.
Jams	107s. 6d. per ton measurement.
Jellies	135s. " " "
Dried Fruits	107s. 6d. " " "
Fruits, Fresh—(Refrigerator)—	
Apples	8s. 4d. per bushel case.
Oranges	8s. 4d. " " "
Grain and Pulse, unprepared—	
Wheat—	
Bulk	90s. per ton weight.
Bagged	97s. 6d. " " "
Barley	100s. " " "
Oats	122s. 6d. " " "
Maize	105s. " " "
Grain and Pulse, prepared—	
Flour, Wheaten	100s. " " "
Bran	120s. " " "
Pollard	112s. 6d. " " "
Rice (clean, husked)	105s. " " "

WINE	135s. per ton measurement.
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ANIMAL SUBSTANCES (MAINLY MANUFACTURED), NOT FOODSTUFFS—

Hides and Skins—	
Calf	1½d. per lb.
Calf, in casks	184s. 6d. per ton weight.
Sheep	1½d. per lb.
Rabbit	3½d. " "
Other	3½d. " "
Pearl-shell	135s. per ton measurement.
Wool—	
Greasy	2.238d. per lb. less 7%.
Scoured and Washed	2.815d. " " "
Tops	2.681d. per lb. (net).

VEGETABLE SUBSTANCES AND FIBRES—

Compressed Fodder	135s. per ton measurement.
Bark, Tanning	135s. per ton weight.
Copra	220s. per ton measurement.
Sandalwood	135s. " " "
Raw Cotton (in bales)	1½d. per lb.

APPAREL, TEXTILES AND MANUFACTURED FIBRES—

Apparel and Attire	135s. per ton measurement.
Binder Twine	237s. 6d. per ton weight.

OILS, FATS AND WAXES—

Oils—	
Eucalyptus	135s. per ton measurement.
Other	152s. 6d. per ton weight.
Tallow, Unrefined	152s. 6d. " " "

PAINTS AND VARNISHES	135s. per ton measurement.
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**Oversea Shipping Freight Rates from Australia to the United Kingdom and
Continent at 31st December, 1950—continued.**
(1 Ton Measurement = 40 Cubic Feet.)

ORES AND METALS, UNMANUFACTURED OR PARTLY MANUFACTURED—

Ore (in casks)—						
£20 or over per ton	..	..	..	..	160s.	per ton weight.
Under £20 per ton	..	..	..	..	90s.	" " "
Zinc—						
<i>Ex</i> Risdon ..	..	..	..	..	45s.	" " "
Other than above ..	..	..	..	..	72s. 6d.	" " "
Dust (in cases) ..	..	..	..	..	317s. 6d.	" " "
Sheet (in cases) ..	..	..	..	..	140s.	" " "
Copper ..	..	..	..	..	100s.	" " "
Lead ..	..	..	..	..	72s. 6d.	" " "
Steel—						
Billets (up to 20 feet)	..	..	..	..	87s. 6d.	" " "
" (over 20 and up to 30 feet)	..	..	..	..	105s.	" " "
Tyres ..	..	..	..	..	120s.	" " "
Tin Clippings hydraulically pressed ..	..	..	..	..	67s. 6d.	" " "

RUBBER AND LEATHER AND MANUFACTURES THEREOF, AND SUBSTITUTES THEREFOR—

Rubber..	..	..	..	..	122s. 6d.	per ton measurement.
Leather ..	..	..	..	..	295s.	per ton weight.

WOOD, RAW AND MANUFACTURED—

Timber—						
Logs up to 40-ft. lengths ..	..	..	..	..	50s. 6d.	per 100 super. feet.
" over 40 and up to 50-ft. lengths ..	..	..	..	..	54s. 3d.	" " "
" over 50 and up to 60-ft. lengths ..	..	..	..	..	58s. 3d.	" " "
Sawn, Undressed, up to 30-ft. lengths ..	..	..	..	..	26s. 9d.	" " "

EARTHENWARE, CEMENT, CHINA AND GLASS 135s. per ton measurement.

STATIONERY 135s. " "

DRUGS, CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS—

Fertilizers	135s.	" "
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MISCELLANEOUS—

Soap	135s.	" "
Casein	212s. 6d.	" "

SPECIE 15s. per cent.

**INTERSTATE, NEW ZEALAND AND ISLANDS SHIPPING FREIGHT RATES,
GENERAL CARGO, 31st DECEMBER, 1950.**

(Per Ton Weight or Measurement : 1 Ton Meas. = 40 Cubic Feet.)

(These rates are expressed in Australian currency.)

To—	From—				
	Brisbane.	Sydney.		Melbourne.	
	Direct.	Direct.	Trans-shipped at Wellington.	Direct.	Trans-shipped at Sydney.
	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>
Brisbane ..	..	92 6	..	104 0	..
Sydney ..	92 6	..	..	91 0	..
Melbourne ..	104 0	91 0	..	..	..
Adelaide ..	108 6	100 0	..	82 0	..
Fremantle ..	119 6(a)	112 0	..	104 0	..
Hobart ..	193 6(b)	89 0	..	85 0	..
Launceston, Devonport, Burnie ..	193 6(b)	89 0	..	71 0	..
Auckland ..	..	109 0	..	109 0	236 7
Wellington ..	..	109 0(c)	..	109 0(c)	236 7(c)
Lyttleton ..	..	109 0	179 4(c)	109 0	179 4(c)
Dunedin ..	..	109 0	179 4(c)	109 0	179 4(c)
New Hebrides—Vila ..	..	200 0	..	..	..
Norfolk Island ..	..	200 0	..	..	..
Papua—					
Port Moresby ..	140 0	140 0	..	..	..
Samarai ..	140 0	140 0	..	..	..
Territory of New Guinea—					
Lae and Madang ..	160 0	160 0	..	..	..
Rataul ..	150 0	150 0	..	..	..

(a) Plus 10s. per ton if trans-shipped.
Harbour Improvement Charges.

(b) Trans-shipped at Sydney.

(c) Plus Wellington

RAILWAYS (GOVERNMENT AND PRIVATE) OPEN FOR TRAFFIC.

NOTE.—The mileage of private lines is shown in brackets and refers to lines available for general traffic only.

(Miles.)

Government.	At 30th June—				
	1939.	1947.	1948.	1949.	1950.
Commonwealth ..	2,201	2,201	2,201	2,201	2,201
New South Wales ..	6,114 (69)	6,128 (54)	6,128 (54)	6,113 (54)	6,113 (54)
Victoria ..	4,759 (25)	4,748 (13)	4,725 (13)	4,697 (13)	4,687 (13)
Queensland ..	6,567 (183)	6,566 (136)	6,560 (136)	6,560 (136)	6,560 (136)
South Australia ..	2,557 (51)	2,547 (51)	2,547 (51)	2,547 (51)	2,553 (51)
Western Australia ..	4,378 (277)	4,348 (277)	4,348 (277)	4,321 (277)	4,321 (277)
Tasmania ..	658 (116)	641 (117)	614 (117)	614 (117)	614 (117)
Total ..	27,234 (721)	27,179 (648)	27,123 (648)	27,053 (648)	27,049 (648)

GOVERNMENT RAILWAYS.

Government.	1938-39.	1946-47.	1947-48.	1948-49	1949-50.(f)
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CAPITAL COST OF CONSTRUCTION AND EQUIPMENT.(a)
(£'000.)

Commonwealth ..	17,033	18,266	18,498	18,689	(g)
New South Wales ..	147,617	157,231	165,839	173,100	181,724
Victoria ..	52,449	53,764	54,434	55,789	58,800
Queensland ..	38,419	41,097	41,506	42,118	43,892
South Australia ..	29,733	30,975	31,478	32,568	33,267
Western Australia ..	26,022	27,062	27,497	28,006	(g)
Tasmania ..	2,140	3,151	2,931	3,258	(g)
Total(b) ..	315,860	333,993	344,630	355,975	(g)

AVERAGE MILES WORKED.

Commonwealth ..	2,201	2,201	2,201	2,201	(g)
New South Wales ..	6,114	6,128	6,128	6,121	6,113
Victoria ..	4,754	4,748	4,725	4,712	4,692
Queensland ..	6,567	6,566	6,560	6,560	6,560
South Australia ..	2,557	2,547	2,547	2,547	2,549
Western Australia ..	4,376	4,348	4,348	4,321	(g)
Tasmania ..	658	641	614	614	(g)
Total ..	27,227	27,179	27,123	27,076	(g)

TRAFFIC TRAIN-MILES RUN.(c)
('000 miles.)

Commonwealth ..	902	1,513	1,602	1,667	1,670
New South Wales ..	30,106	(d) 37,500	(d) 38,958	(d) 40,502	41,370
Victoria ..	17,890	15,539	16,819	17,352	17,550
Queensland ..	13,927	(e) 16,145	(e) 14,883	(e) 17,443	17,508
South Australia ..	6,177	6,010	6,134	6,059	6,355
Western Australia ..	6,575	6,594	7,111	7,037	6,733
Tasmania ..	1,906	2,245	2,212	2,225	2,080
Total ..	77,483	85,546	87,719	92,285	93,266

PASSENGER JOURNEYS.
('000.)

Commonwealth ..	117	223	216	217	195
New South Wales ..	186,720	261,644	263,047	263,116	258,183
Victoria ..	142,124	170,165	182,210	176,555	182,101
Queensland ..	24,639	34,188	29,325	32,687	32,366
South Australia ..	17,529	19,827	19,067	18,210	17,385
Western Australia ..	11,415	13,879	13,928	12,624	11,188
Tasmania ..	2,297	3,252	2,974	3,295	3,230
Total ..	384,841	503,178	510,767	506,704	504,648

(a) Capital was reduced during the period 1st July, 1927 to 1st July, 1937 by approximately £61,500,000 (Victoria, £25,700,000; Queensland, £28,200,000; South Australia, £3,100,000; Tasmania, £4,700,000).
 (b) Includes £2,447,000, Commonwealth proportion of Grafton-South Brisbane Line capital not included with States.
 (c) Excludes "Assistant" and "Light" mileages.
 (d) Estimated.
 (e) Partly estimated.
 (f) Preliminary—subject to revision.
 (g) Not yet available.

Government Railways—continued.

Government.	1938-39.	1946-47.	1947-48.	1948-49.	1949-50.(c)
GOODS AND LIVE-STOCK CARRIED. (‘000 tons.)					
Commonwealth ..	186	343	423	546	550
New South Wales ..	15,417	17,594	18,518	18,080	16,706
Victoria ..	5,976	7,562	8,440	8,859	9,126
Queensland ..	5,234	5,750	5,523	6,888	6,942
South Australia ..	2,640	3,215	3,560	3,793	3,692
Western Australia ..	2,859	2,577	2,858	2,737	2,844
Tasmania ..	844	896	817	801	770
Total ..	33,156	37,937	40,139	41,704	40,630

GROSS REVENUE.

(£'000.)

Commonwealth ..	547	1,099	1,237	1,673	1,875
New South Wales ..	19,946	31,153	37,706	40,464	43,922
Victoria ..	9,284	13,577	16,322	17,274	22,051
Queensland ..	7,798	11,033	11,532	15,392	15,988
South Australia ..	3,119	4,593	5,079	5,849	7,112
Western Australia ..	3,599	4,046	4,549	5,091	6,252
Tasmania ..	487	893	958	1,050	1,049
Total ..	44,780	66,394	77,383	86,793	98,249

WORKING EXPENSES.

(£'000.)

Commonwealth ..	642	1,224	1,439	1,777	1,994
New South Wales ..	14,543	25,885	31,015	35,739	39,281
Victoria ..	8,060	12,916	15,225	17,816	19,974
Queensland ..	6,193	10,191	10,641	14,164	15,857
South Australia ..	2,931	5,045	5,947	7,237	8,440
Western Australia ..	2,911	4,424	5,526	6,612	7,501
Tasmania ..	678	1,254	1,455	1,613	1,592
Total ..	35,958	60,939	71,248	84,958	94,649

NET EARNINGS.

(£'000.)

Commonwealth ..	-95	-125	-202	-104	-119
New South Wales ..	5,403	5,267	6,691	4,725	4,641
Victoria ..	1,224	661	1,097	-542	2,067
Queensland ..	1,605	842	891	1,228	131
South Australia ..	188	-452	-868	-1,388	-1,328
Western Australia ..	688	-378	-977	-1,521	-1,249
Tasmania ..	-191	-360	-497	-563	-543
Total ..	8,822	5,455	6,135	1,835	3,600

PERCENTAGE OF NET EARNINGS ON CAPITAL COST.(a)

Commonwealth ..	-0.56	-0.68	-1.09	-0.55	(d)
New South Wales ..	3.66	3.35	4.04	2.73	2.55
Victoria ..	2.33	1.23	2.01	-0.97	3.52
Queensland ..	4.18	2.05	2.15	2.91	0.30
South Australia ..	0.63	-1.46	-2.75	-4.26	-3.99
Western Australia ..	2.64	-1.40	-3.55	-5.43	(d)
Tasmania ..	-8.91	-11.44	-16.96	-17.27	(d)
Total(b) ..	2.79	1.63	1.78	0.52	(d)

Minus sign (-) denotes loss.

(a) See note (a) on page 73.

(b) Includes Commonwealth proportion capital Grafton-South Brisbane Line (see note (b) on page 73).

(c) Preliminary—subject to revision.

(d) Not yet available.

Government Railways—continued.

SUMMARY.—THREE MONTHS ENDED SEPTEMBER, 1949.

Particulars.	C'wealth.	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'land. (a)	S.A.(b)	W.A.	Tas.	Total.
Miles open	2,201	6,113	4,697	6,491	2,547	4,321	614	26,984
Revenue—	'000.	'000.	'000.	'000.	'000.	'000.	'000.	'000.
Coaching (Passengers, Parcels, Mails, &c.) £	110	2,847	1,512	870	272	283	36	5,930
Goods, including live- stock and minerals £	322	3,581	1,990	3,041	882	1,032	130,	10,978
Miscellaneous £	35	(c) 652	309	(d) 109	72	5	(r) 1,182	5
Total Revenue £	467	(f) 7,080	3,811	3,911	1,263	1,387	171	18,090
Expenditure .. £	492	8,207	4,493	3,683	1,829	1,774	(g) 337	20,815
Train-miles run ..	393	6,585	3,607	4,354	1,291	(h) 1,491	(h) 376	18,097
Earnings per train-mile ..	23s. 9d.	21s. 6d.	20s. 4d.	18s. 0d.	19s. 7d.	18s. 7d.	9s. 1d.	20s. 0d.
Expenditure per train- mile	25s. 1d.	24s. 11d.	24s. 11d.	16s. 11d.	28s. 4d.	23s. 10d.	17s. 11d.	23s. 0d.
Expenditure per cent. on Earnings .. %	105.43	115.92	117.90	94.16	144.88	127.90	197.35	115.07
Passenger journeys ..	'000.	'000.	'000.	'000.	'000.	'000.	'000.	'000.
Freight carried, tons—	40	56,647	40,146	8,008	3,361	2,713	629	111,544
Coal and Coke ..	137	(i)	(i)	264	288	95	25	(j)
Other Minerals ..	2	(i)	(i)	98	87	63	(k)	(i)
Live-stock ..	16	(l) 191	137	199	40	31	4	618
Other Goods ..	33	2,737	1,865	1,425	413	462	95	7,030
Total Freight ..	188	2,928	2,002	1,986	828	651	124	8,707

SUMMARY.—THREE MONTHS ENDED SEPTEMBER, 1950.

Particulars.	C'wealth.	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'land. (a)	S.A.(b)	W.A.	Tas.	Total.
Miles open	2,201	6,113	4,687	6,491	2,553	4,252	614	26,911
Revenue—	'000.	'000.	'000.	'000.	'000.	'000.	'000.	'000.
Coaching (Passengers, Parcels, Mails, &c.) £	147	3,804	1,985	1,079	346	274	36	7,671
Goods, including live- stock and minerals £	379	6,006	2,928	3,676	1,370	1,342	236	15,937
Miscellaneous £	41	(c) 953	386	(d) 142	138	6	(e) 1,666	6
Total Revenue £	567	f 10,763	5,299	4,755	1,858	1,754	(g) 278	25,274
Expenditure .. £	572	11,105	5,421	4,304	2,322	(h) 1,996	(h) 373	26,093
Train-miles run ..	483	9,645	4,683	4,889	1,740	1,834	521	23,786
Earnings per train-mile ..	23s. 6d.	22s. 3d.	22s. 7d.	19s. 6d.	21s. 4d.	18s. 1d.	10s. 8d.	21s. 3d.
Expenditure per train mile	23s. 8d.	23s. 0d.	23s. 2d.	17s. 8d.	26s. 8d.	20s. 10d.	14s. 4d.	21s. 11d.
Expenditure per cent. on Earnings .. %	100.81	103.18	102.31	90.5	124.93	113.78	133.87	103.23
Passenger journeys ..	'000.	'000.	'000.	'000.	'000.	'000.	'000.	'000.
Freight carried, tons—	51	67,177	45,591	8,924	4,769	2,801	757	130,061
Coal and Coke ..	101	(i)	(i)	388	219	132	52	(j)
Other Minerals ..	3	(i)	(i)	146	152	66	(k)	(j)
Live-stock ..	19	(l) 313	160	202	54	34	5	787
Other Goods ..	45	4,495	2,138	1,292	594	534	156	9,254
Total Freight ..	168	4,808	2,298	2,028	1,019	766	213	11,300

(a) Excludes Grafton-South Brisbane Line. (b) Includes Road Motors. (c) From sale of electrical energy only; other miscellaneous included with Coaching and Goods. (d) Included with Coaching. (e) Incomplete. (f) Excludes Government contributions towards losses on non-paying developmental lines. (g) Excludes depreciation. (h) Includes assistant and light miles. (i) Included with Other Goods. (j) Not available. (k) Included with Coal and Coke. (l) Estimated.

CIVIL AVIATION.

Particulars.	Year ended 30th June—			Quarter ended September, 1950.
	1939.(a)	1949.	1950.	

REGISTRATIONS, LICENCES, ACCIDENTS, ETC.

Registered Aircraft Owners	(b) 149	(b) 335	(b) 359	(h) 353
Registered Aircraft	(b) 296	(b) 748	(b) 779	(h) 796
Pilots' Licences—(b)				
Private	1,096	756	872	(h) 885
Commercial	346	481	469	(h) 452
Airline Transport		787	773	(h) 782
Navigators' Licences (b)	59			
Flight Navigator		118	126	126
Radio Operators' Licences—(b)				
Aircraft Radio Telegraph Operators	75			
Aircraft Radio Telephone Operators		113	103	(h) 104
1st Class Flight Radio Telegraphy Operator		972	950	(h) 958
Radio Telephony Operator				
Flight Engineers' Licences—(b)				
Flight Engineer		47	40	(h) 41
Ground Engineer's Licences(b)	525	(d)	1,684	(h) 1,647
Aerodromes (b)—				
Government	71	142	183	183
Public	213	222	213	213
Emergency	147	43	(e)	(e)
Flying Boat Bases	7	5	5	5
Accidents—				
Persons Killed	38	42	61	4
Persons Injured	15	21	22	5

REGULAR INTERNAL SERVICES: OPERATIONS.

Hours flown	No.	(f) 39,312	224,853	225,841	59,391
Miles flown	'000.	5,302	35,242	36,519	9,615
Paying passengers	No.	41,429	1,409,300	1,499,816	360,288
Paying passenger miles	'000.	22,423	566,038	590,429	142,026
Freight—					
Actual tons	tons	391	33,381	44,144	13,327
Ton miles	'000.	(d)	15,240	19,873	5,893
Mail—					
Actual tons	tons	(c) 64	1,580	2,594	696
Ton miles	'000.	(d)	789	1,250	292

OVERSEA SERVICES: OPERATIONS.(g)

Route miles	No.	6,985	29,695	39,217	40,758
Hours flown	"	12,686	40,262	40,210	12,118
Miles flown	'000.	1,736	7,982	8,677	2,610
Paying passengers	No.	5,350	45,296	58,002	17,687
Paying passenger miles	'000.	7,335	144,869	162,625	55,276
Freight—					
Actual tons	tons	6	765	1,110	438
Ton miles	'000.	(d)	2,808	3,987	1,566
Mail—					
Actual tons	tons	(d)	577	634	192
Ton miles	'000.	(d)	3,331	3,429	1,082

(a) Includes oversea services of Qantas Empire Airways Ltd. (b) At 30th June of year above each column. (c) Net weight. (d) Not available. (e) Included above. (f) Relates to subsidized services only. (g) Incomplete. (h) At 30th September, 1950.

Civil Aviation—continued.

OVERSEA SERVICES: OPERATIONS, THREE MONTHS ENDED SEPTEMBER, 1950.

Service.	Route Miles.	Hours Flown.	Miles Flown ('000).	Paying Passengers.	Paying Passenger-miles ('000).	Freight.		Mail.	
						Actual Tons.	Ton-miles ('000).	Actual Tons.	Ton-miles ('000).
Australian Operated Services—									
British Commonwealth Pacific Airlines—									
Sydney-Vancouver	8,379	1,609	424	2,819	12,846	14	91	11	76
Auckland-Vancouver	1,326 (6,399)	694	185	991	3,416	2	11	1	8
Qantas Empire Airways Ltd.—									
Sydney-London ..	15,064	3,161	764	3,138	18,197	74	465	89	745
Sydney - Norfolk Island ..	1,048	66	13	147	154	6	6	..	..
Sydney-Lae ..	4,803	1,789	288	3,517	4,436	94	110	11	16
Sydney-Suva ..	2,061	189	29	232	413	2	4	..	1
Sydney - Hong Kong ..	2,812 (1,966)	523	105	318	1,221	12	49	1	5
Sydney-Tokyo ..	3,923 (1,966)	2,176	430	1,405	7,722	109	482	30	160
Other Services—									
British Overseas Airways Corporation—									
Singapore-Sydney(a)	(4,058)	535	117	..	..	70	275	2	8
Tasman Empire Airways Ltd.—									
Auckland - Sydney	1,342	1,376	255	5,120	6,871	55	73	47	63
Pan-American Airways—									
San Francisco-Sydney (b)	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Canadian Pacific Air Lines Ltd.—									
Vancouver - Sydney (b)	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Total(c)	40,758	12,118	2,610	17,687	55,276	438	1,566	192	1,082

(a) Particulars beyond Singapore not available. (b) Particulars not yet available.
(c) Incomplete.

NOTE.—Route miles in brackets are not included in totals.

TELEPHONES—LINES AND INSTRUMENTS CONNECTED. (NUMBER.)

Particulars.	At 30th June—				At 31st December, 1950.
	1939.	1948.	1949.	1950.	
Lines connected ..	487,535	688,348	734,427	793,077	827,719
Instruments connected ..	661,996	963,154	1,028,134	1,109,984	1,158,202

WIRELESS—BROADCAST LISTENERS' LICENCES.(a) (NUMBER.)

In force at—	N.S.W. (b)	Victoria.	Q'land. (c)	S. Aust. (d)	W. Aust.	Tasmania.	Australia.
30th June, 1939 ..	433,029	327,579	133,217	117,307	79,262	39,392	1,129,786
" " 1948 ..	699,259	505,106	239,342	197,326	123,703	63,080	1,832,816
" " 1949 ..	706,452	531,722	261,054	212,416	139,290	68,088	1,919,022
" " 1950 ..	748,268	557,556	274,279	227,911	149,328	72,286	2,029,628
31st Dec., 1950 ..	755,464	562,704	282,551	234,985	153,837	73,965	2,063,506

(a) From 30th June, 1943, includes licences in respect of more than one receiver owned by one person. (b) Includes Australian Capital Territory. (c) Includes Papua. (d) Includes Northern Territory.

MOTOR VEHICLE REGISTRATIONS, LICENCES AND GROSS REVENUE, 1940-50.

State or Territory.	No. of Registrations.				No. of Drivers' and Riders' Licences Issued.	Gross Revenue.			
	Motor Cars.	Commercial Vehicles, &c.	Motor Cycles.	Total.		Vehicles' Registration and Motor Tax.	Drivers' and Riders', &c., Licences.	Miscellaneous.	Total.
						£	£	£	£
New South Wales	272,985	162,625	42,461	478,071	676,589	3,477,373	454,210	786,266	4,717,849
Victoria ..	226,513	139,143	34,231	399,887	525,709	2,783,555	131,437	360,983	3,275,975
Queensland ..	99,846	93,921	19,152	212,919	264,613	1,172,266	100,045	448,577	1,720,888
South Australia	91,281	41,252	19,371	151,904	186,756	1,119,927	102,513	61,504	1,283,944
Western Australia	48,485	42,010	12,890	103,385	133,954	713,440	44,959	78,666	837,065
Tasmania ..	25,175	12,679	4,930	42,784	48,745	303,456	24,373	75,807	403,626
Northern Territory	693	2,720	383	3,796	2,520	6,702	1,713		8,415
Australian Capital Territory	2,578	1,334	448	4,360	6,379	19,315	3,259	186	22,760
Total 1949-50	767,556	495,684	133,866	1,397,106	1,845,265	9,596,034	862,509	1,811,989	12,270,532
Total 1948-49	655,497	452,147	117,133	1,224,777	1,700,008	8,276,780	713,509	1,442,796	10,433,085
Total 1938-39	562,271	258,025	79,237	899,533	1,238,497	6,318,435	508,887	257,652	7,084,474

MOTOR VEHICLE REGISTRATIONS AT 31st DECEMBER, 1950.
(NUMBER.)

Vehicles.	N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	N.T. (a)	A.C.T.	Total.
Motor Cars	295,877	245,750	109,099	97,501	52,325	27,018	693	2,962	831,225
Commercial Vehicles, &c.	174,455	144,831	99,576	45,960	44,439	14,133	2,720	1,514	527,628
Motor Cycles ..	44,531	33,362	20,691	20,427	13,037	5,057	383	537	138,025
Total at 31st Dec., 1950	514,863	423,943	229,366	163,888	109,801	46,208	3,796	5,013	1,496,878
Total at 31st Dec., 1949	443,112	376,235	198,424	143,539	96,221	40,105	3,265	3,872	1,304,773
Total at 31st Dec., 1938	314,797	256,656	125,688	95,735	61,020	25,418	1,249	2,136	882,699

(a) At 30th June.

REGISTRATIONS OF NEW MOTOR VEHICLES DURING SIX MONTHS ENDED
31st DECEMBER, 1950.
(NUMBER.)

Vehicles.	N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	A.C.T.	Total. (a)
Motor Cars	26,465	20,068	9,914	7,183	4,655	2,249	355	70,889
Commercial Vehicles, &c.	15,378	11,209	6,879	4,170	3,616	1,235	160	42,647
Motor Cycles ..	4,185	2,727	2,002	2,201	1,214	415	74	12,818
Total 6 months ended 31st December, 1950	46,028	34,004	18,795	13,554	9,485	3,899	589	126,354
Total 6 months ended 31st December, 1949	29,938	25,244	11,171	10,577	7,923	2,576	238	87,717
Total 6 months ended 31st December, 1938	15,474	12,044	7,070	4,141	1,787	1,430	172	42,118

(a) Excludes Northern Territory.

NOTE.—In each of the tables above taxis and hire cars are included with motor cars, and particulars of primary producers' vehicles in Victoria are included under the heading Commercial Vehicles, &c. Defence Service vehicles are excluded.

Section IX.—Employment, Unemployment and Wages.

TRADE UNIONS.

Number of Trade Unions, Branch Unions and Membership.

Year.	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'land.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	N.T.	A.C.T.	Total.	Australia.
NUMBER OF SEPARATE UNIONS.										
1939	200	149	114	117	141	79	4	15	819	(a) 380
1945b	206	151	119	126	144	80	5	17	848	(a) 389
1946b	207	151	120	126	142	78	5	17	846	(a) 392
1947b	212	152	122	128	145	79	8	19	865	(a) 395
1948b	214	156	128	136	150	90	10	21	905	(a) 384
1949	212	150	125	138	152	97	12	21	907	(a) 349
NUMBER OF BRANCHES.										
1939	598	398	312	178	204	69	..	1	1,760	(c) 2,199
1945b	595	382	307	173	208	71	..	1	1,737	(c) 2,196
1946b	595	382	307	173	209	70	..	1	1,737	(c) 2,191
1947b	598	386	310	174	209	72	..	1	1,750	(c) 2,220
1948b	627	399	302	178	206	80	..	..	1,792	(c) 2,333
1949	649	459	304	180	225	96	..	..	1,913	(c) 2,471
NUMBER OF MEMBERS.										
1939	358,391	216,803	180,653	67,282	67,833	22,062	761	1,685	915,470	915,470
1945b	510,708	311,891	195,290	100,571	72,351	27,625	1,426	2,015	1,221,877	1,221,877
1946b	537,331	329,049	202,656	104,306	77,494	29,142	2,017	2,367	1,284,362	1,284,362
1947b	566,326	343,162	221,723	112,350	81,903	34,109	2,442	3,478	1,365,493	1,365,493
1948b	596,867	370,886	238,597	119,082	87,834	36,767	2,293	3,482	1,455,808	1,455,808
1949	606,139	382,503	259,339	127,292	97,706	40,700	2,860	4,375	1,520,914	1,520,914

(a) Allowing for interstate duplication. The figures represent the number of distinct organizations and interstate groups of organizations in Australia. They do not represent the total number of organizations which are practically independent and self-governing. (b) Figures revised.
(c) Includes not only branches of separate trade unions and sub-branches in each State of interstate unions, but also head State branches of interstate unions.

UNEMPLOYMENT IN TRADE UNIONS.

Unemployment—Australia—Number, Membership of Reporting Unions and Branches, and Number and Percentage Unemployed.(a)

Period.					Unions.	Membership.	UNEMPLOYED.	
							Number.	Percentage. (b)
1939 Year	..	..	..	..	396	476,918	45,967	9.7
1946 "	..	..	..	..	383	672,121	9,125	1.3
1947 "	..	..	..	..	381	718,096	8,432	1.2
1948 "	..	..	..	..	380	761,104	6,533	0.9
1949 "	..	..	..	..	377	790,630	(d) 15,342	2.0
1950 "	..	..	..	..	375	827,256	6,659	0.8
1932—June	(c)	Quarter	..	..	396	413,742	124,068	30.0
1947—March	"	"	..	..	381	699,155	9,880	1.4
June	"	"	..	..	381	713,455	9,240	1.2
September	"	"	..	..	381	725,286	7,970	1.1
December	"	"	..	..	381	734,489	6,637	0.9
1948—March	"	"	..	..	381	744,901	6,484	0.9
June	"	"	..	..	380	752,222	6,549	0.9
September	"	"	..	..	380	769,959	6,813	0.9
December	"	"	..	..	380	777,332	6,287	0.8
1949—March	"	"	..	..	380	785,468	5,898	0.8
June	"	"	..	..	380	792,428	6,337	0.8
September	"	"	..	..	374	776,195	(d) 43,030	(d) 5.5
December	"	"	..	..	375	808,428	6,103	0.8
1950—March	"	"	..	..	375	822,464	6,963	0.8
June	"	"	..	..	375	819,331	6,361	0.8
September	"	"	..	..	375	828,094	7,038	0.8
December	"	"	..	..	374	839,136	6,273	0.7

(a) The quarterly figures show the number of persons who were out of work for three days or more during a specified week in each quarter; they include persons out of work through sickness, but exclude persons out of work through strikes or lockouts, except those outside the industry concerned who are indirectly affected. The annual figures represent the average of the four quarters. (b) A more extended table of percentages will be found on page 105. (c) Peak of unemployment. (d) Includes all members of reporting unions indirectly affected by the dispute in the coal-mining industry; those directly affected are, however, excluded.

NOTE.—The unions covered by the returns represent approximately 55 per cent. of the total membership of unions, and relate to between 25 and 30 per cent. of all wage and salary earners. The value of the percentages of unemployment derived from Trade Union returns is in the indication they give of the trend of unemployment among trade unionists as reported by secretaries of Trade Unions.

Unemployment(a)—States—Percentage Unemployed.

Period.	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'land.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	Aust.
1939 Year	11.0	10.4	5.9	9.3	7.1	8.1	9.7
1946	1.5	1.3	0.9	1.4	1.6	2.0	1.4
1947 "	1.3	1.2	0.7	1.0	1.2	2.3	1.2
1948 "	1.0	0.8	0.4	1.1	0.9	0.7	0.9
1949(b) "	3.2	0.7	0.9	2.3	0.9	0.6	2.0
1950 "	1.0	0.7	0.4	0.9	1.1	0.6	0.8
1932—June (c) Quarter ..	33.2	27.7	19.9	35.2	30.3	27.5	30.0
1946—March	1.5	1.3	0.8	1.6	1.5	1.7	1.4
June	1.6	1.1	0.9	1.4	1.6	1.6	1.3
September	1.5	1.3	0.8	1.3	1.5	2.3	1.4
December	1.5	1.3	1.0	1.1	1.6	2.3	1.4
1947—March	1.5	1.6	0.8	1.1	1.4	2.2	1.4
June	1.4	1.1	0.9	1.0	1.1	2.4	1.2
September	1.1	1.2	0.8	1.0	1.1	2.5	1.1
December	1.0	0.8	0.4	0.8	1.1	2.3	0.9
1948—March	1.0	0.8	0.5	0.9	1.0	0.5	0.9
June	1.0	0.8	0.5	1.0	1.0	0.5	0.9
September	0.9	1.0	0.4	1.2	0.8	0.7	0.9
December	0.9	0.7	0.3	1.1	0.7	1.0	0.8
1949—March	0.9	0.7	0.4	0.8	0.8	0.5	0.8
June	0.9	0.8	0.3	1.0	0.7	0.3	0.8
September(b)	10.2	0.9	2.7	6.5	1.3	0.7	5.5
December	1.0	0.6	0.3	0.9	0.7	0.8	0.8
1950—March	1.1	0.7	0.3	0.7	1.0	0.6	0.8
June	1.0	0.5	0.3	0.7	1.5	0.8	0.8
September	1.1	0.7	0.5	1.1	0.8	0.5	0.8
December	0.9	0.7	0.3	0.9	0.9	0.5	0.7

(a) See notes to table on page 79. (b) Includes all members of reporting unions indirectly affected by the dispute in the coal-mining industry; those directly affected are, however, excluded. (c) Peak of unemployment.

NOTE.—For some States the returns are a more representative sample than for others. The table above, therefore, should not be read as indicating the relative degree of unemployment among trade unionists in the individual States, but as an indication of trend of unemployment as reported by secretaries of Trade Unions.

Unemployment(a)—Australia—Percentage in Industrial Groups.

Industrial Group.	1932.	1949.		1950.			
	June Qtr.(b)	Sept. Qtr.(c)	Dec. Qtr.	Mar. Qtr.	June Qtr.	Sept. Qtr.	Dec. Qtr.
Manufacturing—							
I. Wood, Furniture, &c. . .	39.6	8.7	0.5	0.3	0.6	0.4	0.4
II. Engineering, Metal works, &c. . .	33.9	5.4	0.6	0.2	0.3	0.3	0.2
III. Food, Drink, Tobacco, &c. . .	19.3	6.5	1.2	1.9	1.8	2.5	1.5
IV. Clothing, Textiles, &c. . .	22.6	2.1	0.5	0.7	0.9	1.0	1.0
V. Books, Printing, &c. . .	16.8	1.3	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.2	0.1
VI. Other Manufacturing . . .	43.0	7.2	1.7	1.6	1.1	1.7	2.1
VII. Building	42.1	1.7	0.9	1.0	1.3	1.1	0.8
VIII. Mining, Quarrying, &c. . .	34.2	4.1	2.2	3.0	4.2	3.4	3.5
X. Land Transport other than Railway and Tramway Services .. .	29.6	1.2	0.9	1.4	0.5	0.6	0.4
IX., XI., XII., XIII., and XIV. Other and Miscellaneous (d) .. .	22.2	2.4	0.5	0.7	0.4	0.6	0.4
All Groups	30.0	5.5	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.7

(a) See notes to table on page 79. (b) Peak of unemployment. (c) Includes all members of reporting unions indirectly affected by the dispute in the coal-mining industry; those directly affected are, however, excluded. (d) For classification see page 87.

UNEMPLOYMENT AND SICKNESS BENEFITS.

Average Number of Persons on Benefit at end of each week.(a)

(For particulars of benefits paid, see page 62.)

Period.	N.S.W. (b)	Vic.	Q'land.	S.A. (c)	W.A.	Tas.	Aust.
UNEMPLOYMENT BENEFIT.							
1945-46 Year	2,524	303	1,445	778	422	42	5,514
1946-47 "	1,754	1,578	4,665	200	1,095	79	9,371
1947-48 "	664	150	2,632	51	409	33	3,939
1948-49 "	270	32	1,100	14	126	31	1,573
1949-50 "	10,728	128	1,578	326	267	30	13,057
1946-47—December Quarter ..	1,824	2,836	3,883	216	1,371	101	10,231
March " ..	2,118	1,815	7,281	208	923	59	12,404
June " ..	1,570	1,012	4,397	120	773	52	7,924
1947-48—September " ..	1,234	308	2,433	94	677	50	4,796
December " ..	644	147	1,631	56	427	33	2,938
March " ..	470	91	4,222	35	335	24	5,177
June " ..	308	56	2,241	19	198	24	2,846
1948-49—September " ..	281	42	712	21	183	34	1,273
December " ..	314	30	632	10	113	33	1,132
March " ..	255	23	1,840	9	114	28	2,269
June " ..	232	33	1,215	17	94	29	1,620
1949-50—September " ..	41,768	155	3,510	1,198	715	38	47,384
December " ..	451	96	526	41	176	31	1,321
March " ..	388	114	1,244	37	89	25	1,897
June " ..	304	147	1,033	29	91	25	1,629
1950-51—September " (d)	359	91	260	6	88	28	832

SICKNESS BENEFIT.

1945-46 Year	2,177	1,559	814	596	431	255	5,832
1946-47 "	3,088	2,232	1,165	851	715	386	8,437
1947-48 "	3,736	2,501	1,445	977	764	456	9,879
1948-49 "	3,860	2,865	1,620	961	803	451	10,560
1949-50 "	4,561	3,830	1,767	1,098	873	493	12,622
1946-47—December Quarter ..	3,000	2,237	1,186	830	703	402	8,363
March " ..	3,106	2,238	1,182	844	735	387	8,492
June " ..	3,520	2,450	1,252	907	754	394	9,277
1947-48—September " ..	3,939	2,618	1,442	1,031	798	499	10,327
December " ..	3,731	2,560	1,431	970	775	484	9,951
March " ..	3,525	2,368	1,429	947	746	419	9,434
June " ..	3,749	2,457	1,477	958	739	423	9,803
1948-49—September " ..	3,942	2,743	1,531	1,019	800	467	10,502
December " ..	3,737	2,716	1,611	951	763	444	10,227
March " ..	3,757	2,789	1,689	928	811	428	10,402
June " ..	4,006	3,212	1,650	946	832	464	11,110
1949-50—September " ..	4,229	3,539	1,676	1,062	869	525	11,900
December " ..	4,633	3,898	1,828	1,114	893	514	12,885
March " ..	4,658	3,926	1,767	1,094	866	472	12,783
June " ..	4,727	3,955	1,797	1,122	858	459	12,918
1950-51—September " (d)	5,251	4,463	1,826	1,139	957	474	14,110

(a) In addition, the average number of persons (excluding new Australians) receiving Special Benefit at the end of each week were:—1945-46, 118; 1946-47, 396; 1947-48, 621; 1948-49, 790; and 1949-50, 1,258.

(b) Includes Australian Capital Territory.

(c) Includes Northern Territory.

(d) Subject to revision

WAGE AND SALARY EARNERS IN EMPLOYMENT—AUSTRALIA.(a) (’000.)

Month.	Total Employment. (Excluding Rural, Household Domestic and Defence Forces.)			Total Employment in Main Industrial Groups.							
	Governmental Authorities. (b)	Private Employers.	Total.	Mining and Quarrying.	Factories. (c)	Building and Construction.	Transport and Communication.	Retail Trade.	Other Commerce and Finance.	Professional and Personal Services. (d)	
MALES.											
1939—July	349.8	943.8	1,293.1	52.2	391.5	149.7	185.9	259.7		133.6	
1943—June	413.3	859.9	1,273.2	45.2	520.7	91.8	195.7	71.7	89.3	100.1	
1944—June	404.5	871.1	1,275.6	43.4	518.2	83.7	201.9	71.4	92.7	106.6	
1945—June	400.2	896.1	1,296.3	43.6	514.5	87.9	209.2	76.4	97.1	114.0	
1946—June	435.0	1,071.5	1,506.5	48.8	558.4	124.9	237.8	103.2	133.4	140.6	
1947—June	472.0	1,177.4	1,649.4	51.0	593.2	155.7	256.4	116.0	151.9	155.9	
1948—June	494.0	1,236.9	1,730.9	52.7	625.0	167.8	269.9	123.3	161.7	163.3	
1949—May(e)	518.9	1,268.2	1,787.1	52.3	635.9	180.9	281.7	125.6	169.9	168.3	
1950—June	553.5	1,305.2	1,858.7	53.9	659.0	197.2	292.8	127.1	178.0	171.2	
1950—July	554.4	1,304.2	1,858.6	54.2	659.0	197.7	293.0	127.2	177.7	171.1	
Aug.	556.1	1,307.4	1,863.5	54.3	659.9	199.3	293.2	127.3	179.0	171.5	
Sept.	557.2	1,310.9	1,868.1	54.2	660.2	201.3	292.9	127.6	180.9	171.6	
Oct.f	528.4	1,314.9	1,843.3	54.3	655.9	202.1	269.7	128.0	182.1	171.7	
Nov.f	541.6	1,322.7	1,864.3	54.5	658.9	204.3	280.1	130.9	183.6	171.8	
Dec.	560.0	1,324.2	1,884.2	54.1	663.0	202.8	292.8	134.0	184.2	172.6	
FEMALES.											
1939—July	55.2	381.9	437.1	0.3	148.2	1.2	12.6	114.9		129.0	
1943—June	135.9	504.8	640.7	0.6	228.6	2.4	34.6	98.5	52.6	165.3	
1944—June	134.0	497.5	631.5	0.5	217.4	2.4	36.3	94.1	52.1	170.7	
1945—June	124.8	494.6	619.4	0.4	206.3	2.2	37.0	96.4	52.6	175.7	
1946—June	94.0	502.0	596.0	0.5	192.1	2.4	32.4	99.6	50.8	183.4	
1947—June	92.1	527.5	619.6	0.5	199.9	2.6	32.4	104.0	53.0	193.3	
1948—June	94.9	549.1	644.0	0.6	208.0	2.9	35.0	109.3	56.9	200.3	
1949—May(e)	99.2	564.9	664.1	0.7	215.6	3.1	37.0	111.1	59.8	205.6	
1950—June	107.6	580.6	688.2	0.7	223.8	3.3	38.8	113.3	64.8	211.2	
1950—July	108.2	581.5	689.7	0.7	224.0	3.3	38.8	113.0	65.2	211.9	
Aug.	108.3	582.8	691.1	0.8	224.3	3.4	38.9	113.2	65.6	212.0	
Sept.	108.9	586.9	695.8	0.8	225.9	3.4	39.3	114.1	66.3	213.2	
Oct.f	107.8	592.5	700.3	0.8	227.7	3.4	38.2	116.8	66.7	213.9	
Nov.f	108.6	599.5	708.1	0.8	229.6	3.4	38.9	121.1	67.4	213.8	
Dec.	110.1	601.4	711.5	0.8	228.1	3.5	40.0	124.9	67.4	213.6	
PERSONS.											
1939—July	405.0	1,325.2	1,730.2	52.5	539.7	150.9	198.5	374.6		262.6	
1943—June	549.2	1,364.7	1,913.9	45.8	749.3	94.2	230.3	170.2	141.9	265.4	
1944—June	538.5	1,368.6	1,907.1	43.9	735.6	86.1	238.2	165.5	144.8	277.3	
1945—June	525.0	1,390.7	1,915.7	44.0	720.8	90.1	246.2	172.8	149.7	289.7	
1946—June	529.0	1,573.5	2,102.5	49.3	750.5	127.3	270.2	202.8	184.2	324.0	
1947—June	564.1	1,704.9	2,269.0	51.5	793.1	158.3	288.8	220.0	204.9	349.2	
1948—June	588.9	1,786.0	2,374.9	53.3	833.0	170.7	304.9	232.6	218.6	363.6	
1949—May(e)	618.1	1,833.1	2,451.2	53.0	851.5	184.0	318.7	236.7	229.7	373.9	
1950—June	661.1	1,885.8	2,546.9	54.6	882.8	200.5	331.6	240.4	242.8	382.4	
1950—July	662.6	1,885.7	2,548.3	54.9	883.0	201.0	331.8	240.2	242.9	383.0	
Aug.	664.4	1,890.2	2,554.6	55.1	884.2	202.7	332.1	240.5	244.6	383.5	
Sept.	666.1	1,897.8	2,563.9	55.0	886.1	204.7	332.2	241.7	247.2	384.8	
Oct.f	636.2	1,907.4	2,543.6	55.1	883.6	205.5	307.9	244.8	248.8	385.6	
Nov.f	650.2	1,922.2	2,572.4	55.3	888.5	207.7	319.0	252.0	251.0	385.6	
Dec.	670.1	1,925.6	2,595.7	54.9	891.1	206.3	332.8	258.9	251.6	386.2	

(a) Employees in the defence forces at home or abroad, and Government "relief" workers are excluded. From July, 1941, estimated total employment is based on Pay-roll Tax returns and records of Government employment. All figures for months subsequent to May, 1945 (Factories, June, 1948) subject to revision. (b) Includes employees of Australian Government authorities (Commonwealth, State and Local) and of Allied Governments. (c) From July, 1948, monthly figures are estimate-subject to revision. (d) Includes Education, Health, Hotels and Restaurants, Professional and Personal Services (except female private domestic). (e) Figures for June, 1949, were affected by the Australia-wide black coal dispute which commenced on 27th June and ended 15th August, 1949, and figures for May have therefore been substituted for purposes of annual comparison. (f) Affected by industrial disputes.

WAGE AND SALARY EARNERS IN EMPLOYMENT—STATES.(a)

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Month.	N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	N.T.	A.C.T.	Australia.
MALES.									
1939—July ..	529.9	357.5	172.8	106.7	82.9	37.4	2.1	3.8	1,293.1
1941—July ..	547.7	403.4	166.3	118.4	82.4	38.6	3.5	3.1	1,363.4
1943—June ..	525.1	355.2	167.3	110.6	70.4	36.9	5.5	2.2	1,273.2
1944—June ..	524.1	352.1	169.0	110.3	71.7	37.9	7.7	2.8	1,275.6
1945—June ..	536.0	359.2	169.0	109.4	75.9	39.5	4.1	3.2	1,296.3
1946—June ..	671.8	417.9	192.4	129.6	93.9	46.9	2.8	4.5	1,506.5
1947—June ..	671.8	452.6	220.2	140.9	103.9	51.1	3.4	5.5	1,649.4
1948—June ..	702.3	473.3	232.6	149.0	109.2	54.5	4.0	6.0	1,730.9
1949—May ..	721.4	489.3	239.8	155.0	117.8	57.4	4.2	7.2	1,787.1
1950—April ..	737.0	508.2	246.9	164.0	119.4	58.5	4.5	7.6	1,846.1
May ..	740.7	509.1	249.1	165.1	120.6	58.7	4.4	7.6	1,855.3
June ..	740.8	510.7	250.4	165.7	120.5	58.4	4.5	7.7	1,858.7
July ..	740.4	509.4	251.3	166.4	120.4	58.3	4.7	7.7	1,858.6
August ..	742.8	510.0	252.2	166.7	121.3	58.1	4.6	7.8	1,863.5
September ..	744.9	510.3	253.3	167.4	121.7	58.0	4.6	7.9	1,868.1
October(b) ..	746.2	489.6	252.7	162.0	121.9	58.2	4.6	8.1	1,843.3
November(b) ..	748.3	500.6	253.3	167.6	122.9	58.8	4.6	8.2	1,864.3
December ..	751.4	517.6	251.7	167.9	123.1	59.7	4.5	8.3	1,884.2
FEMALES.									
1939—July ..	168.0	142.9	53.2	34.0	26.2	11.6	0.2	1.0	437.1
1941—July ..	218.3	186.0	60.5	43.3	31.2	15.2	0.4	1.3	556.2
1943—June ..	254.4	205.4	74.1	52.9	35.5	16.7	0.2	1.5	640.7
1944—June ..	250.9	198.3	77.4	50.3	35.9	16.8	0.2	1.7	631.5
1945—June ..	247.9	193.2	75.1	49.0	35.6	16.6	0.3	1.7	619.4
1946—June ..	242.3	183.7	71.2	45.8	34.4	16.6	0.4	1.6	596.0
1947—June ..	252.1	190.5	74.5	48.0	35.6	16.9	0.4	1.6	619.6
1948—June ..	261.9	196.7	77.9	50.1	37.0	18.0	0.6	1.8	644.0
1949—May ..	269.9	202.5	80.1	52.2	37.8	18.8	0.7	2.1	664.1
1950—April ..	277.5	209.9	82.4	54.2	39.8	19.4	0.7	2.2	686.1
May ..	270.6	209.7	82.9	54.3	39.8	19.4	0.8	2.2	688.7
June ..	278.5	210.0	83.1	54.3	39.9	19.4	0.9	2.1	688.2
July ..	279.0	210.3	83.6	54.7	39.8	19.3	0.8	2.2	689.7
August ..	279.6	211.1	83.6	54.9	40.0	18.9	0.8	2.2	691.1
September ..	281.7	212.2	84.0	55.5	40.4	19.0	0.8	2.2	695.8
October ..	285.7	212.7	84.0	55.4	40.3	19.1	0.8	2.3	700.3
November ..	289.2	215.3	84.2	56.5	40.6	19.2	0.8	2.3	708.1
December ..	289.8	216.3	84.7	56.4	41.2	20.0	0.8	2.3	711.5
PERSONS.									
1939—July ..	697.9	500.4	226.0	140.7	109.1	49.0	2.3	4.8	1,730.2
1941—July ..	766.0	589.4	226.8	161.7	113.6	53.8	3.9	4.4	1,919.6
1943—June ..	779.5	560.6	241.4	163.5	105.9	53.6	5.7	3.7	1,913.9
1944—June ..	775.0	550.4	246.4	160.6	107.6	54.7	7.9	4.5	1,907.1
1945—June ..	783.9	552.4	244.1	158.4	111.5	56.1	4.4	4.9	1,915.7
1946—June ..	860.8	601.6	263.6	175.4	128.3	63.5	3.2	6.1	2,102.5
1947—June ..	923.9	643.1	294.7	188.9	139.5	68.0	3.8	7.1	2,269.0
1948—June ..	964.2	670.0	310.5	199.1	146.2	72.5	4.6	7.8	2,374.9
1949—May ..	991.3	691.8	319.9	207.2	159.6	76.2	4.9	9.3	2,451.2
1950—April ..	1,014.5	718.1	329.3	218.2	159.2	77.9	5.2	9.8	2,532.2
May ..	1,020.3	718.8	332.0	219.4	160.4	78.1	5.2	9.8	2,544.0
June ..	1,019.3	720.7	333.5	220.0	160.4	77.8	5.4	9.8	2,546.9
July ..	1,019.4	719.7	334.9	221.1	160.2	77.6	5.5	9.9	2,548.3
August ..	1,022.4	721.1	335.8	221.6	161.3	77.0	5.4	10.0	2,554.6
September ..	1,026.6	722.5	337.3	222.9	162.1	77.0	5.4	10.1	2,563.9
October(b) ..	1,031.9	702.3	336.7	217.4	162.2	77.3	5.4	10.4	2,543.6
November(b) ..	1,037.5	715.9	337.5	224.1	163.5	78.0	5.4	10.5	2,572.4
December ..	1,041.2	733.9	336.4	224.3	164.3	79.7	5.3	10.6	2,595.7

(a) Excludes Rural, Household Domestic and Defence Forces. See also footnotes on page 82.

(b) Affected by industrial disputes.

EMPLOYMENT IN FACTORIES.

(Number of Employees in Thousands. Excludes Working Proprietors.)

Period.	New South Wales.	Victoria.	Queensland.	South Australia.	Western Australia.	Tasmania.	Australia.				
							Males.	Females.	Persons.	Index av. 3 years ended June, 1939 = 1,000.	
										Unadjusted.	Adjusted. (a)
1938-39(b) ..	219.5	193.9	51.5	42.0	22.1	13.2	391.8	150.4	542.2	1,031	1,022
1941-42(b) ..	289.3	250.5	59.5	63.8	23.0	16.7	504.7	198.1	702.8	1,337	1,286
1942-43(b) ..	306.4	255.6	62.2	71.5	25.1	18.0	517.7	221.1	738.8	1,405	1,339
1943-44(b) ..	313.8	253.9	62.5	67.9	27.2	19.2	519.4	225.1	744.5	1,416	1,338
1944-45(b) ..	304.8	249.6	61.8	64.0	28.1	18.9	515.5	211.7	727.2	1,383	1,293
1945-46(b) ..	300.9	245.9	63.0	60.9	29.1	18.4	524.9	193.3	718.2	1,366	1,264
1946-47(b) ..	331.3	256.1	68.6	68.2	32.2	19.2	578.2	197.4	775.6	1,475	1,347
1947-48(b) ..	349.8	268.1	73.0	71.1	34.0	20.3	611.5	204.8	816.3	1,553	1,397
1948-49(b)(d) ..	358.8	274.9	76.8	73.4	35.2	21.2	628.0	212.3	840.3	1,598	1,408
1949-50(b)(d) ..	358.8	281.5	79.6	75.7	36.6	21.9	636.9	217.2	854.1	1,624	1,386
1949-50(d)—											
January ..	365.5	281.0	78.1	77.0	36.8	21.8	642.7	217.5	860.2	1,636	1,395
February ..	370.2	283.1	80.1	77.1	37.0	21.8	647.6	221.7	869.3	1,653	1,406
March ..	371.6	286.3	80.2	78.1	37.4	22.4	651.7	224.3	876.0	1,666	1,413
April ..	371.0	285.4	80.3	78.6	37.4	22.6	651.8	223.5	875.3	1,665	1,409
May ..	373.7	285.8	81.0	78.8	37.9	22.7	655.8	224.1	879.9	1,674	1,413
June ..	374.4	286.4	82.5	79.1	37.9	22.5	659.0	223.8	882.8	1,679	1,413
1950-51 (d)—											
July ..	373.8	286.5	83.0	79.6	37.8	22.3	659.0	224.0	883.0	1,679	1,410
August ..	375.5	286.6	83.3	79.3	37.9	21.6	659.9	224.3	884.2	1,682	1,408
September ..	376.2	287.1	83.3	79.9	38.1	21.5	660.2	225.9	886.1	1,685	1,408
October(e) ..	378.0	283.2	82.9	80.0	38.2	21.3	655.9	227.7	883.6	1,681	1,401
November(e) ..	379.2	286.1	83.0	80.2	38.3	21.7	658.9	229.6	888.5	1,690	1,404
December ..	377.6	290.8	81.2	80.5	38.3	22.7	663.0	228.1	891.1	1,695	1,404

(a) Divided by Index of Total Population. (b) Average of monthly figures. (c) Includes Government munitions and aircraft establishments and naval dockyards—1941-42, 79.8; 1942-43, 121.8; 1943-44, 116.0; and 1944-45, 89.1. (d) From July, 1948, monthly figures are estimates, subject to revision. (e) Affected by industrial disputes.

RETAIL STORES—EMPLOYMENT INDEX.

Compiled from numbers of employees on the last pay-roll of each month shown on Pay-Roll Tax returns of employers whose principal activity is retail trade and who pay wages in excess of £1,040 per annum.

Month.	N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	Australia (Six States).
MALES—INDEX OF EMPLOYMENT—(BASE: JULY, 1941 = 1,000).							
1948—June ..	1,247	1,242	1,272	1,334	1,411	1,261	1,269
1949—June ..	1,308	1,299	1,306	1,401	1,500	1,270	1,326
1950—June ..	1,332	1,306	1,326	1,469	1,558	1,338	1,352
July ..	1,338	1,310	1,336	1,461	1,558	1,328	1,356
August ..	1,344	1,320	1,341	1,469	1,546	1,328	1,362
September ..	1,353	1,325	1,342	1,481	1,556	1,326	1,369
October ..	1,366	1,328	1,346	1,495	1,550	1,336	1,377
November ..	1,412	1,357	1,353	1,528	1,562	1,345	1,409
December ..	1,454	1,364	1,396	1,533	1,636	1,370	1,440
FEMALES—INDEX OF EMPLOYMENT—(BASE: JULY, 1941 = 1,000).							
1948—June ..	1,139	1,063	1,215	1,201	1,157	1,210	1,136
1949—June ..	1,163	1,113	1,275	1,212	1,239	1,260	1,175
1950—June ..	1,203	1,115	1,353	1,249	1,314	1,340	1,211
July ..	1,206	1,107	1,358	1,244	1,303	1,321	1,210
August ..	1,213	1,116	1,369	1,237	1,306	1,321	1,216
September ..	1,232	1,112	1,384	1,250	1,315	1,339	1,229
October ..	1,284	1,144	1,399	1,368	1,325	1,361	1,262
November ..	1,341	1,186	1,416	1,351	1,351	1,414	1,310
December ..	1,399	1,198	1,458	1,342	1,437	1,526	1,350
PERSONS—INDEX OF EMPLOYMENT—(BASE: JULY, 1941 = 1,000).							
1948—June ..	1,193	1,151	1,246	1,265	1,277	1,236	1,196
1949—June ..	1,235	1,204	1,292	1,303	1,362	1,265	1,244
1950—June ..	1,267	1,209	1,338	1,355	1,429	1,339	1,275
July ..	1,272	1,207	1,346	1,348	1,423	1,325	1,276
August ..	1,278	1,216	1,354	1,349	1,419	1,325	1,282
September ..	1,292	1,222	1,363	1,361	1,428	1,333	1,293
October ..	1,324	1,235	1,370	1,377	1,431	1,348	1,313
November ..	1,376	1,270	1,382	1,436	1,450	1,379	1,353
December ..	1,426	1,280	1,424	1,434	1,531	1,447	1,388

INDUSTRIAL DISPUTES—NUMBER AND MAGNITUDE OF INDUSTRIAL DISPUTES (CAUSING STOPPAGE OF WORK).

Period.	Num-ber.	Estab-lish-ments In-volved.	Workpeople Involved.			Working Days Lost.			Esti-mated Loss in Wages. £
			Di-rectly.	Indi-rectly. (a)	Total.	New Dis-putes.	Old Dis-putes.	Total.	
NEW SOUTH WALES.									
Year—1950(b) ..	1,030	7,365	289,269	22,498	311,767	638,969	336	639,305	1,333,938
1949—Dec. Qtr.	163	2,118	29,644	259	29,903	52,747	..	52,747	102,675
1950—March „(b)	277	477	59,378	7,889	67,267	158,331	336	158,667	320,705
June „	195	1,458	56,195	1,066	57,261	86,360	2,648	89,008	227,741
Sept. „	305	459	55,929	3,416	59,345	174,087	3,668	177,755	352,206
Dec. „	253	4,971	117,767	10,127	127,894	177,856	36,019	213,875	433,286
VICTORIA.									
Year—1950 ..	33	1,142	59,161	14,826	73,987	1,208,365	..	1,208,365	2,395,691
1949—Dec. Qtr.	3	8	1,043	..	1,043	2,161	..	2,161	4,242
1950—March „	6	13	5,795	..	5,795	116,980	..	116,980	271,242
June „	14	1,031	28,965	5,055	34,020	35,447	52,832	88,279	177,297
Sept. „	9	26	1,951	2,487	4,438	9,359	..	9,359	16,847
Dec. „	4	72	22,450	7,284	29,734	993,747	..	993,747	1,930,305
QUEENSLAND.									
Year—1950 ..	147	285	24,157	2,483	26,640	74,007	..	74,007	142,721
1949—Dec. Qtr.	4	14	1,182	..	1,182	1,461	..	1,461	2,922
1950—March „	19	69	6,432	..	6,432	19,192	..	19,192	37,457
June „	26	40	3,730	540	4,270	9,636	..	9,636	17,143
Sept. „	64	71	4,614	84	4,698	6,896	..	6,896	13,990
Dec. „	38	105	9,381	1,859	11,240	38,283	..	38,283	74,131
SOUTH AUSTRALIA.									
Year—1950 ..	29	251	13,766	402	14,168	126,538	..	126,538	264,704
1949—Dec. Qtr.	6	16	931	..	931	1,629	..	1,629	3,201
1950—March „	9	29	2,429	12	2,441	8,142	..	8,142	16,374
June „	7	10	843	..	843	990	..	990	1,968
Sept. „	9	9	3,146	..	3,146	10,482	..	10,482	14,314
Dec. „	4	203	7,348	390	7,738	106,924	..	106,924	232,048
WESTERN AUSTRALIA.									
Year—1950 ..	15	31	1,952	..	1,952	5,728	..	5,728	11,491
1949—Dec. Qtr.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
1950—March „	7	23	1,563	..	1,563	4,179	..	4,179	8,392
June „	3	3	81	..	81	291	..	291	678
Sept. „	1	1	17	..	17	34	..	34	68
Dec. „	4	4	291	..	291	1,224	..	1,224	2,353
TASMANIA.									
Year—1950 ..	19	45	3,089	11	3,100	8,447	..	8,447	16,296
1949—Dec. Qtr.	2	7	251	..	251	126	..	126	251
1950—March „	3	6	487	11	498	2,986	..	2,986	5,908
June „	7	18	1,007	..	1,007	2,470	..	2,470	4,989
Sept. „	6	14	621	..	621	1,641	200	1,841	3,531
Dec. „	3	7	974	..	974	1,150	..	1,150	1,868
AUSTRALIA.									
Year—1950(b)(c)	1,276	9,122	391,481	40,220	431,701	2,062,552	336	2,062,888	4,166,413
1949—Dec. Qtr.	178	2,163	33,051	259	33,310	58,124	..	58,124	113,295
1950—March „(b)	321	617	76,084	7,912	83,996	309,810	336	310,146	600,078
June „(d)	254	2,562	90,900	6,661	97,561	135,660	55,480	191,140	431,329
Sept. „(e)	395	581	66,286	5,987	72,273	202,531	3,868	206,399	401,020
Dec. „	306	5,362	158,211	19,660	177,871	1,319,184	36,019	1,355,203	2,673,991

(a) Persons thrown out of work at the establishments where the stoppages occurred but not themselves parties to the dispute. (b) Includes one dispute uncompleted at the end of 1949—establishments involved, 1; workpeople, 183. (c) Includes one dispute in the Northern Territory—workpeople involved, 43; working days lost, 430; estimated loss in wages, £1,450; and two disputes in the Australian Capital Territory—workpeople involved, 44; working days lost, 68; estimated loss in wages, £127.

(d) Includes one dispute in the Northern Territory—workpeople involved, 43; working days lost, 430; estimated loss in wages, £1,450; and one dispute in the Australian Capital Territory—workpeople involved, 36; working days lost, 36; estimated loss in wages, £63. (e) Includes one dispute in the Australian Capital Territory—workpeople involved, 8; working days lost, 32; estimated loss in wages, £44.

AVERAGE WEEKLY TOTAL WAGES PAID AND AVERAGE EARNINGS.

Wages which are recorded on Pay-Roll Tax Returns represent approximately 80 per cent. of the total for Australia; the balance has been estimated. Pay of members of the armed forces is not included.

Period.	New South Wales and Australian Capital Territory.	Victoria.	Queensland.	South Australia and Northern Territory.	Western Australia.	Tasmania.	Australia.
AVERAGE WEEKLY TOTAL WAGES PAID. (£'000.)							
Year—							
1941-42 ..	4,204	2,991	1,275	881	599	270	10,220
1942-43 ..	4,617	3,198	1,498	951	582	283	11,129
1943-44 ..	4,757	3,254	1,624	966	607	304	11,512
1944-45 ..	4,721	3,194	1,553	935	626	312	11,341
1945-46 ..	4,980	3,390	1,566	949	692	345	11,922
1946-47 ..	5,851	3,970	1,773	1,152	830	410	13,986
1947-48 ..	6,970	4,717	2,065	1,304	955	491	16,562
1948-49 ..	8,105	5,536	2,497	1,646	1,127	576	19,487
1949-50 ..	8,988	6,358	2,830	1,893	1,320	668	22,057
1946-47—							
December Qtr.	5,949	4,018	1,816	1,153	832	411	14,179
March ..	5,713	3,847	1,687	1,148	811	396	13,602
June ..	6,246	4,261	1,896	1,223	890	449	14,965
1947-48—							
September ..	6,480	4,399	2,004	1,269	902	447	15,501
December ..	7,229	4,817	2,147	1,365	970	492	17,020
March ..	6,753	4,543	1,863	1,350	936	486	15,931
June ..	7,419	5,109	2,245	1,472	1,011	540	17,796
1948-49—							
September ..	7,759	5,303	2,426	1,580	1,081	537	18,686
December ..	8,436	5,646	2,614	1,664	1,166	582	20,108
March ..	7,730	5,307	2,345	1,600	1,073	569	18,624
June ..	8,493	5,882	2,605	1,738	1,188	616	20,522
1949-50—							
September ..	7,982	5,911	2,674	1,742	1,224	617	20,150
December ..	9,394	6,501	2,900	1,904	1,335	667	22,701
March ..	8,864	6,147	2,736	1,868	1,326	661	21,602
June ..	9,713	6,873	3,012	2,056	1,395	726	23,775
1950-51—							
September ..	9,989	7,046	3,157	2,120	1,495	709	24,516
December ..	11,182	7,641	3,471	2,265	1,577	775	26,911

AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS PER MALE UNIT.(a)
(£.)

Year—							
1941-42 ..	5.78	5.72	5.26	5.25	5.43	4.80	5.59
1942-43 ..	6.59	6.56	6.23	6.02	5.93	5.39	6.42
1943-44 ..	6.87	6.83	6.60	6.26	6.28	5.84	6.57
1944-45 ..	6.74	6.71	6.37	6.12	6.27	5.76	6.70
1945-46 ..	6.68	6.72	6.04	5.98	6.15	5.76	6.48
1946-47 ..	6.93	7.00	6.10	6.29	6.30	6.04	6.71
1947-48 ..	7.85	7.93	6.67	7.10	6.98	6.81	7.55
1948-49 ..	8.87	9.02	7.74	8.18	7.93	7.63	8.57
1949-50 ..	9.68	10.00	8.49	9.00	8.85	8.60	9.45
1946-47—							
December Qtr.	7.09	7.15	6.31	6.36	6.36	6.12	6.86
March ..	6.72	6.75	5.79	6.21	6.06	5.79	6.48
June ..	7.23	7.34	6.31	6.53	6.56	6.43	7.00
1947-48—							
September ..	7.40	7.52	6.46	6.71	6.70	6.35	7.16
December ..	8.15	8.14	6.88	7.15	7.12	6.89	7.77
March ..	7.58	7.60	6.20	7.01	6.83	6.67	7.27
June ..	8.25	8.46	7.09	7.51	7.25	7.28	7.93
1948-49—							
September ..	8.58	8.76	7.55	7.98	7.72	7.26	8.33
December ..	9.24	9.24	8.13	8.31	8.21	7.78	8.89
March ..	8.41	8.60	7.33	7.91	7.54	7.47	8.18
June ..	9.24	9.46	7.97	8.50	8.24	8.01	8.95
1949-50—							
September ..	9.01	9.49	8.16	8.56	8.39	8.08	8.91
December ..	10.06	10.28	8.71	9.12	9.02	8.61	9.73
March ..	9.40	9.60	8.21	8.80	8.84	8.46	9.16
June ..	10.23	10.62	8.87	9.52	9.14	9.21	9.97
1950-51—							
September ..	10.46	10.87	9.14	9.70	9.72	9.07	10.22
December ..	11.58	11.89	10.02	10.39	10.14	9.78	11.18

(a) Total civil employment expressed in male units is derived by adding to total male employment 45 per cent. of total female employment.

NOTE.—An index of average weekly wage earnings, seasonally adjusted, is published in the *Monthly Review of Business Statistics*.

**WAGES—ADULT MALES—AVERAGE NOMINAL WEEKLY AND HOURLY RATES
PAYABLE AND WEEKLY HOURS OF LABOUR, 31st DECEMBER, 1950.(a)**

Industrial Group.	Particulars.	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'ld.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	Aust. (b)
I. Wood, Furniture, &c.	Weekly Wage	206/2	201/5	186/1	196/9	198/1	199/0	199/8
	Working Hours	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00
	Hourly Wage	5/1½	5/0½	4/7½	4/11	4/11½	4/11½	5/0
II. Engineering, Metal Works, &c.	Weekly Wage	201/0	196/10	193/2	193/9	204/4	200/10	198/2
	Working Hours	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00
	Hourly Wage	5/0½	4/11	4/10	4/10½	5/1½	5/0½	4/11½
III. Food, Drink, &c.	Weekly Wage	201/2	207/7	187/6	199/6	196/10	199/3	199/11
	Working Hours	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00
	Hourly Wage	5/0½	5/2½	4/8½	4/11½	4/11	4/11½	5/0
IV. Clothing, Textiles, &c.	Weekly Wage	200/7	202/3	208/0	208/0	210/11	200/10	202/10
	Working Hours	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00
	Hourly Wage	5/0½	5/0½	5/2½	5/2½	5/8½	5/0½	5/0½
V. Books, Printing, &c.	Weekly Wage	240/1	222/8	210/2	223/7	234/1	230/1	228/9
	Working Hours	40.00	39.51	40.00	40.00	37.69	40.00	39.72
	Hourly Wage	6/0	5/6½	5/3	5/7	6/2½	5/9	5/9
VI. Other Manufacturing	Weekly Wage	201/3	198/4	187/3	200/9	201/8	202/3	199/0
	Working Hours	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00
	Hourly Wage	5/0½	4/11½	4/8½	5/0½	5/0½	5/0½	4/11½
VII. Building	Weekly Wage	218/10	218/3	208/9	211/4	212/7	209/0	215/11
	Working Hours	39.94	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00	39.98
	Hourly Wage	5/5½	5/5½	5/2	5/3½	5/3½	5/2½	5/4½
VIII. Mining (d)	Weekly Wage	212/0	205/8	200/8	199/1	229/7	202/11	211/0
	Working Hours	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00	38.26	40.00	39.74
	Hourly Wage	5/3½	5/1½	5/0½	4/11½	6/0	5/1	5/3½
IX. Rail and Tram Services	Weekly Wage	203/10	200/6	190/5	191/0	199/7	197/2	199/2
	Working Hours	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00
	Hourly Wage	5/1½	5/0½	4/9½	4/9½	5/0	4/11½	4/11½
X. Other Land Transport	Weekly Wage	198/4	191/7	179/1	188/8	191/6	192/4	192/7
	Working Hours	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00
	Hourly Wage	4/11½	4/9½	4/5½	4/8½	4/9½	4/9½	4/9½
XI. Shipping, &c.	Weekly Wage ^{ef}	228/4	232/2	233/11	228/11	230/5	230/0	230/2
XII. Pastoral, Agricultural, &c.	Weekly Wage ^{fg}	226/0	217/3	226/11	219/10	224/3	202/10	222/2
XIII. Domestic, Hotels, &c.	Weekly Wage ^g	194/11	187/10	172/2	177/3	178/4	179/3	186/8
	Working Hours	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00
	Hourly Wage ^g	4/10½	4/8½	4/3½	4/5½	4/5½	4/5½	4/8
XIV. Miscellaneous	Weekly Wage	199/1	195/11	178/2	182/2	187/5	187/9	192/9
	Working Hours	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00
	Hourly Wage	4/11½	4/10½	4/5½	4/6½	4/8½	4/8½	4/9½
All Groups (b)	Weekly Wage	209/6	204/5	199/10	200/6	208/3	199/7	205/6
All Groups except XI. and XII. (b)	Weekly Wage	204/4	200/10	188/4	192/9	203/9	196/10	199/11
	Working Hours	39.99	39.99	40.00	40.00	39.54	40.00	39.96
	Hourly Wage	5/1½	5/0½	4/8½	4/9½	5/1½	4/11	5/0

(a) The figures of nominal wage and hours of labour are in course of revision to meet changes in industrial structure. The amounts shown should not be regarded as actual current averages, but as an index of changes expressed in money and hour terms. (b) Weighted average. (c) Excludes District allowances in the gold-mining industry. (d) Average rates of wage and hours prevailing at the principal mining centres in each State. (e) Average rates of wage are for occupations other than Masters, Officers and Engineers in the Merchant Marine Service, and include value of victualling and accommodation, where supplied. (f) Definite particulars for the computation of average working hours and hourly rates of wages are not available. (g) Includes the estimated value of board and lodging, where supplied.

WAGES—ADULT FEMALES—AVERAGE NOMINAL WEEKLY AND HOURLY RATES PAYABLE AND WEEKLY HOURS OF LABOUR, 31st DECEMBER, 1950.(a)

Industrial Group.	Particulars.	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'ld.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	Aust. (b)
III. Food, Drink, &c. ..	Weekly Wage	135/5	138/1	118/4	145/3	128/8	144/9	135/9
	Working Hours	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00
	Hourly Wage	3/4½	3/5½	2/11½	3/7½	3/2½	3/7½	3/4½
IV. Clothing, Textiles, &c. ..	Weekly Wage	137/7	138/7	141/10	141/10	144/4	140/10	139/2
	Working Hours	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00
	Hourly Wage	3/5¼	3/5½	3/6½	3/6½	3/7¼	3/6½	3/5½
I., II., V., & VI. All other Manufacturing ..	Weekly Wage	145/10	148/3	141/9	153/1	..	140/0	147/1
	Working Hours	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00	..	40.00	40.00
	Hourly Wage	3/7¼	3/8½	3/6½	3/10	..	3/6	3/8
XIII. Domestic, Hotels, &c. ..	Weekly Wage(c)	132/0	140/8	121/3	141/10	120/2	127/4	132/1
	Working Hours	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00
	Hourly Wage(c)	3/3½	3/6½	3/0½	3/6½	3/0	3/2½	3/3½
XIV. Shop Assistants, Clerks, &c... ..	Weekly Wage	149/7	155/5	142/5	140/0	..	..	149/9
	Working Hours	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00	..	..	40.00
	Hourly Wage	3/9	3/10½	3/6½	3/6	..	..	3/9
All Groups (b) ..	Weekly Wage	139/11	142/11	135/11	142/1	132/3	137/2	140/5
	Working Hours	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00
	Hourly Wage	3/6	3/6½	3/4½	3/6½	3/3½	3/5¼	3/6½

(a) See note (a) on previous page.
of board and lodging where supplied.

(b) Weighted average.

(c) Includes the estimated value

WAGES—WEIGHTED AVERAGE NOMINAL WEEKLY RATES PAYABLE FOR A FULL WEEK'S WORK, AND WAGE INDEX-NUMBERS, 1914 to 31st DECEMBER, 1950.(a)

Date.	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'ld.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	Aust. (b)
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ADULT MALES—RATES OF WAGE.

	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.
31st December, 1914 ..	56 2	54 7	53 5	54 5	62 10	52 8	55 7
" " 1939 ..	96 7	93 6	97 5	88 11	100 6	89 5	95 3
" " 1944 ..	121 4	119 6	118 0	113 7	121 10	116 6	119 6
" " 1945 ..	121 10	120 4	119 10	114 5	122 9	116 11	120 4
" " 1946 ..	130 11	128 11	128 0	121 4	125 7	125 2	128 6
" " 1947 ..	141 3	136 10	134 9	133 10	137 8	133 0	137 11
" " 1948 ..	159 9	155 5	151 4	153 7	156 6	153 2	156 4
" " 1949 ..	171 11	168 11	167 10	165 3	171 6	165 4	169 8
" " 1950 ..	209 6	204 5	199 10	200 6	208 3	199 7	205 6

ADULT MALES—INDEX-NUMBERS.—(BASE—51s. 3d. (b) IN 1911 = 1,000.)

	1,096	1,065	1,042	1,062	1,226	1,028	1,085
31st December, 1914 ..	1,096	1,065	1,042	1,062	1,226	1,028	1,085
" " 1939 ..	1,885	1,825	1,900	1,735	1,962	1,745	1,858
" " 1944 ..	2,367	2,332	2,303	2,216	2,377	2,273	2,332
" " 1945 ..	2,377	2,347	2,339	2,233	2,395	2,282	2,348
" " 1946 ..	2,554	2,515	2,498	2,368	2,450	2,442	2,507
" " 1947 ..	2,757	2,670	2,630	2,612	2,686	2,595	2,690
" " 1948 ..	3,117	3,032	2,953	2,997	3,054	2,988	3,050
" " 1949 ..	3,355	3,296	3,275	3,225	3,346	3,227	3,310
" " 1950 ..	4,088	3,989	3,900	3,911	4,064	3,895	4,009

ADULT FEMALES—RATES OF WAGE.

	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.
31st December, 1914 ..	26 10	27 9	27 1	24 1	37 4	25 10	27 5
" " 1939 ..	53 3	51 9	55 2	49 7	55 8	50 8	52 8
" " 1944 ..	71 3	73 11	74 1	65 4	65 10	68 6	71 11
" " 1945 ..	72 7	75 7	74 10	67 2	67 6	71 3	73 5
" " 1946 ..	80 4	82 6	82 4	76 0	73 10	77 8	80 9
" " 1947 ..	84 3	88 6	85 10	80 10	80 1	81 11	85 8
" " 1948 ..	100 0	103 1	98 4	95 1	93 5	96 8	100 4
" " 1949 ..	108 1	112 4	108 5	101 0	105 5	106 4	109 1
" " 1950 ..	139 11	142 11	135 11	142 1	132 3	137 2	140 5

ADULT FEMALES—INDEX-NUMBERS.—(BASE—27s. 2d. (b) IN APRIL, 1914 = 1,000)

	987	1,022	996	885	1,378	950	1,006
31st December, 1914 ..	987	1,022	996	885	1,378	950	1,006
" " 1939 ..	1,960	1,906	2,031	1,826	2,049	1,866	1,938
" " 1944 ..	2,622	2,722	2,726	2,406	2,422	2,520	2,647
" " 1945 ..	2,671	2,782	2,754	2,471	2,484	2,621	2,701
" " 1946 ..	2,956	3,035	3,031	2,797	2,718	2,860	2,972
" " 1947 ..	3,102	3,256	3,160	2,976	2,947	3,014	3,152
" " 1948 ..	3,681	3,795	3,618	3,499	3,438	3,559	3,694
" " 1949 ..	3,979	4,134	3,990	3,716	3,880	3,915	4,015
" " 1950 ..	5,150	5,259	5,003	5,229	4,863	5,050	5,169

(a) See note (a) on previous page.

(b) Weighted average for Australia.

**BASIC WAGE—WEEKLY RATES FOR ADULT MALES UNDER AWARDS OF
COMMONWEALTH COURT OF CONCILIATION AND ARBITRATION. (a)**

Capital City.	September, 1939.	May, 1950.	August, 1950.	November, 1950.	December, 1950.	February, 1951.
	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>
Sydney ..	81 0	138 0	142 0	146 0	165 0	173 0
Melbourne ..	81 0	137 0	140 0	143 0	162 0	170 0
Brisbane ..	76 0	129 0	132 0	135 0	154 0	159 0
Adelaide ..	78 0	131 0	134 0	137 0	158 0	166 0
Perth ..	77 0	133 0	136 0	139 0	160 0	166 0
Hobart ..	77 0	131 0	135 0	139 0	160 0	165 0
Six Capitals	79 0	135 0	138 0	142 0	162 0	169 0

NOTE.—Since December, 1950, the female basic wage has been 75 per cent. of corresponding male rate; previously it had ranged between 54 per cent. and 75 per cent.

(a) No defined family unit. Rates operative from beginning of first pay period commencing in months shown.

STATE BASIC WAGE—WEEKLY RATES.

State.	Date of Operation.	Basic Wage.		Family Unit (for Male Rate).
		Males.	Females.	
		<i>£ s. d.</i>	<i>£ s. d.</i>	
New South Wales ..	(a)	(b) 8 13 0	(b) 6 9 6	(c)
Victoria (d) ..	(a)	(8 10 0)	(6 7 6)	(d)
Queensland ..	5.2.51	(e) 7 19 0	(e) 5 5 6	Man, wife and three children
South Australia ..	(a)	8 6 0	6 4 6	" " " " "
Western Australia ..	29.1.51	(f) 8 12 11	(f) 4 17 9	Man, wife and two children
Tasmania (d) ..	(a)	(8 5 0)	(6 3 6)	(d)

(a) Operative from beginning of first pay period commencing in February, 1951. (b) Sydney, Newcastle, Port Kembla, Wollongong, Broken Hill—Males, £9 4s.; Females, £6 18s. Elsewhere—Males, £8 10s.; Females, £6 7s. 6d.

(c) Commonwealth basic wage operative—no defined family unit. (d) None declared but rates (Capital City) shown are those of Commonwealth Court which are followed to a large extent. No defined family unit. (e) Southern Division (Eastern District including Brisbane). Allowances added for other areas:—Males—Southern Division (Western District), 7s. 4d., Mackay Division, 5s. 6d.; Northern Division (Eastern District), 10s.; Northern Division (Western District), 17s. 4d.; Females—half of these allowances. (f) Metropolitan area. Goldfields areas and other portions of State excluding South West Land Division—Males, £9 0s. 5d.; Females, £5 1s. 9d.

South West Land Division (excluding Metropolitan Area)—Males, £8 12s. 11d.; Females, £4 17s. 9d.

Section X.—Prices.

Note.—The retail price index-numbers on this and the next four pages are related to the period 1923-27. The weighted average prices for these five years for the Six Capital Cities are made equal to 1,000. In the combined tables the rent of 4 and 5 roomed houses only is taken into account.

The "B" Series represents the Food and Housing portion of the All Items ("C" Series) Index published on page 93.

RETAIL PRICE INDEX-NUMBERS—CAPITAL CITIES.(a)

("B" Series.)

(Base of each Group : Weighted Average of Six Capital Cities, 1923-27=1,000.)

NOTE.—The index-numbers given in the separate parts of the table cannot be compared with each other in order to show the relative cost of housing, and food and groceries, since the cost in 1923-27 in each group or combination is made equal to 1,000.

CITY.	1938.	1946.	1947.	1948.	1949.	1950.	1949.		1950.				
							Dec. Qtr.	March Qtr.	June Qtr.	Sept. Qtr.	Dec. Qtr.		
Sydney	904	1,039	1,110	1,258	1,388	1,572	1,421	1,459	1,518	1,599	1,713		
Melbourne	884	1,052	1,110	1,274	1,418	1,605	1,451	1,516	1,567	1,614	1,724		
Brisbane	838	981	1,055	1,208	1,332	1,462	1,367	1,402	1,421	1,473	1,551		
Adelaide	861	1,006	1,067	1,230	1,351	1,494	1,398	1,428	1,446	1,496	1,606		
Perth	899	1,059	1,104	1,251	1,437	1,597	1,488	1,514	1,559	1,608	1,707		
Hobart	880	1,069	1,132	1,316	1,495	1,574	1,514	1,498	1,537	1,597	1,665		
Six Capitals (b) ..	886	1,036	1,100	1,256	1,394	1,566	1,429	1,473	1,520	1,582	1,689		

GROUP I.—FOOD AND GROCERIES.

GROUP II.—HOUSING (c)—4 AND 5 ROOMED HOUSES.

Sydney	1,004	1,043	1,044	1,047	1,049	1,050	1,049	1,049	1,049	1,050	1,050		
Melbourne	935	973	974	974	976	979	977	978	978	979	979		
Brisbane	841	863	864	866	869	883	873	873	878	884	898		
Adelaide	868	894	897	903	912	929	914	921	925	932	937		
Perth	872	886	887	889	895	901	897	898	901	902	904		
Hobart	913	936	936	937	940	941	941	941	941	941	941		
Six Capitals (b) ..	942	976	977	979	982	987	983	984	986	987	989		

GROUPS I.—II.—FOOD, GROCERIES, AND HOUSING (4 AND 5 ROOMED HOUSES) ("B" Series).

Sydney	941	1,038	1,082	1,173	1,252	1,365	1,273	1,295	1,332	1,381	1,451		
Melbourne	902	1,019	1,054	1,154	1,243	1,357	1,263	1,303	1,334	1,363	1,429		
Brisbane	838	932	978	1,072	1,149	1,233	1,171	1,193	1,206	1,240	1,293		
Adelaide	862	960	998	1,100	1,177	1,270	1,206	1,227	1,240	1,272	1,341		
Perth	887	989	1,017	1,107	1,222	1,322	1,254	1,270	1,299	1,329	1,390		
Hobart	891	1,014	1,053	1,165	1,275	1,324	1,287	1,277	1,301	1,337	1,379		
Six Capitals (b) ..	906	1,010	1,050	1,145	1,230	1,336	1,252	1,279	1,308	1,346	1,412		

(a) See note (a) on page 93.

(b) Weighted Average.

(c) See note (b) on page 94.

RETAIL PRICE INDEX-NUMBERS—FOOD, GROCERIES, AND HOUSING (4 AND 5 ROOMED HOUSES). ("B" SERIES.)(a)

(Base : Weighted Average of Six Capital Cities, 1923-27 = 1,000.)

State and Town.	1938.	1946.	1947.	1948.	1949.	1950.	1949.		1950.		
							Dec. Qtr.	Mar. Qtr.	June Qtr.	Sept. Qtr.	Dec. Qtr.
NEW SOUTH WALES—											
Sydney	941	1,038	1,082	1,173	1,252	1,365	1,273	1,295	1,332	1,381	1,451
Newcastle	898	990	1,035	1,129	1,205	1,309	1,224	1,246	1,282	1,315	1,391
Broken Hill	948	1,073	1,110	1,206	1,333	1,459	1,375	1,391	1,407	1,486	1,552
Goulburn	908	996	1,030	1,130	1,225	1,341	1,244	1,265	1,317	1,356	1,425
Bathurst	867	966	1,006	1,102	1,190	1,313	1,213	1,238	1,279	1,329	1,405
FIVE TOWNS(b) ..	937	1,034	1,078	1,169	1,249	1,362	1,270	1,293	1,329	1,377	1,448
VICTORIA—											
Melbourne	902	1,019	1,054	1,154	1,243	1,357	1,263	1,303	1,334	1,363	1,429
Ballarat	808	917	950	1,052	1,141	1,254	1,160	1,214	1,228	1,252	1,320
Bendigo	817	928	952	1,048	1,140	1,267	1,165	1,215	1,241	1,278	1,335
Geelong	872	961	1,012	1,116	1,204	1,318	1,230	1,271	1,290	1,328	1,381
Warrnambool	898	1,020	1,042	1,134	1,212	1,342	1,227	1,277	1,313	1,352	1,425
FIVE TOWNS(b) ..	895	1,011	1,046	1,146	1,235	1,350	1,255	1,296	1,326	1,355	1,421
QUEENSLAND—											
Brisbane	838	932	978	1,072	1,149	1,233	1,171	1,193	1,206	1,240	1,293
Toowoomba	806	955	1,001	1,087	1,170	1,252	1,188	1,212	1,226	1,257	1,313
Rockhampton	825	919	971	1,063	1,145	1,247	1,161	1,196	1,206	1,250	1,334
Townsville	900	989	1,036	1,125	1,214	1,286	1,228	1,249	1,273	1,291	1,332
Bundaberg	781	897	942	1,030	1,110	1,195	1,117	1,144	1,160	1,201	1,275
FIVE TOWNS(b) ..	837	936	982	1,074	1,153	1,238	1,173	1,197	1,211	1,244	1,299
SOUTH AUSTRALIA—											
Adelaide	862	960	998	1,100	1,177	1,270	1,206	1,227	1,240	1,272	1,341
Kadina, &c.	702	790	825	907	1,001	1,089	1,024	1,044	1,058	1,095	1,157
Port Pirie	838	933	971	1,063	1,141	1,241	1,167	1,189	1,198	1,245	1,332
Mount Gambier	801	903	931	1,022	1,091	1,232	1,111	1,143	1,165	1,253	1,366
Peterborough	836	936	973	1,067	1,144	1,224	1,170	1,189	1,199	1,224	1,285
FIVE TOWNS(b) ..	855	952	990	1,091	1,168	1,262	1,197	1,218	1,231	1,265	1,335
WESTERN AUSTRALIA—											
Perth, &c.	887	989	1,017	1,107	1,222	1,322	1,254	1,270	1,299	1,329	1,390
Kalgoorlie, &c.	1,152	1,136	1,174	1,266	1,382	1,489	1,410	1,439	1,467	1,496	1,554
Northam	911	1,003	1,034	1,131	1,257	1,358	1,289	1,311	1,340	1,364	1,415
Bunbury	945	1,024	1,056	1,148	1,269	1,380	1,299	1,319	1,349	1,393	1,457
Geraldton	974	1,073	1,103	1,193	1,315	1,421	1,349	1,370	1,401	1,430	1,484
FIVE TOWNS(b) ..	909	1,003	1,031	1,122	1,237	1,338	1,269	1,286	1,315	1,345	1,406
TASMANIA—											
Hobart	891	1,014	1,053	1,165	1,275	1,324	1,287	1,277	1,301	1,337	1,379
Launceston	867	956	1,001	1,113	1,227	1,274	1,234	1,226	1,248	1,287	1,333
Burnie	880	969	1,006	1,108	1,225	1,295	1,247	1,254	1,275	1,292	1,358
Devonport	846	939	976	1,078	1,197	1,283	1,223	1,242	1,257	1,273	1,360
Queenstown	900	1,028	1,067	1,173	1,267	1,299	1,285	1,270	1,270	1,314	1,343
FIVE TOWNS(b) ..	882	992	1,032	1,143	1,254	1,304	1,266	1,258	1,280	1,316	1,362
THIRTY TOWNS(b) ..	902	1,005	1,045	1,140	1,226	1,332	1,248	1,275	1,303	1,341	1,407
SIX CAPITALS(b) ..	906	1,010	1,050	1,145	1,230	1,336	1,252	1,279	1,308	1,346	1,412
Warwick (Q.) (c) ..	732	904	956	1,039	1,124	1,203	1,141	1,162	1,175	1,211	1,263
Port Augusta (S.A.) (c) ..	831	929	968	1,063	1,144	1,260	1,177	1,204	1,221	1,268	1,345
Whyalla (S.A.) (c) ..	(d)	(d)	1,013	1,103	1,176	1,284	1,215	1,239	1,249	1,280	1,369
Canberra (A.C.T.) (c) (e)	1,043	1,062	1,096	1,191	1,280	1,381	1,304	1,322	1,336	1,392	1,473

(a) See footnote (a) on page 93. (b) Weighted Average. (c) Not included in weighted averages above. (d) Not available. (e) New series from 1938. To secure comparison with "B" Series index-numbers for Canberra for periods prior to the September quarter, 1938, the new series index-numbers should be multiplied by 1.090.

RETAIL PRICE INDEX-NUMBERS—FOOD AND GROCERIES.(a)

(Base : Weighted Average of Six Capital Cities, 1923-27=1,000.)

State and Town.	1939.	1949.				1950.				Per-centage increase from August, 1939, to Dec., 1950.
	August.	Month.			Dec. Qtr.	Month.			Dec. Qtr.	
		Oct.	Nov.	Dec.		Oct.	Nov.	Dec.		
NEW SOUTH WALES—										
Sydney	926	1,390	1,416	1,457	1,421	1,673	1,713	1,754	1,713	89.4
Newcastle	960	1,400	1,428	1,466	1,431	1,629	1,709	1,779	1,706	85.3
Broken Hill	1,069	1,750	1,764	1,779	1,764	2,031	2,044	2,077	2,051	94.3
Goulburn	991	1,440	1,479	1,505	1,475	1,711	1,793	1,815	1,773	83.1
Bathurst	939	1,427	1,451	1,476	1,451	1,696	1,774	1,833	1,768	95.2
FIVE TOWNS (b) ..	932	1,398	1,424	1,465	1,429	1,677	1,721	1,763	1,720	89.2
VICTORIA—										
Melbourne	931	1,425	1,448	1,479	1,451	1,701	1,726	1,744	1,724	87.3
Ballarat	939	1,411	1,426	1,492	1,443	1,670	1,712	1,725	1,702	83.7
Bendigo	915	1,407	1,420	1,474	1,434	1,667	1,708	1,728	1,701	88.9
Geelong	942	1,419	1,443	1,496	1,453	1,680	1,707	1,717	1,701	82.3
Warrnambool	952	1,397	1,416	1,447	1,420	1,689	1,758	1,768	1,738	85.7
FIVE TOWNS (b) ..	932	1,423	1,446	1,480	1,450	1,698	1,724	1,742	1,721	86.9
QUEENSLAND—										
Brisbane	855	1,343	1,364	1,394	1,367	1,540	1,548	1,564	1,551	82.9
Toowoomba	812	1,357	1,369	1,411	1,379	1,574	1,563	1,585	1,574	95.2
Rockhampton	893	1,370	1,382	1,421	1,391	1,649	1,643	1,682	1,658	88.4
Townsville	948	1,440	1,454	1,495	1,463	1,623	1,626	1,656	1,635	74.7
Bundaberg	906	1,371	1,377	1,432	1,393	1,623	1,630	1,665	1,639	83.8
FIVE TOWNS (b) ..	862	1,353	1,372	1,405	1,377	1,558	1,564	1,583	1,568	83.6
SOUTH AUSTRALIA—										
Adelaide	882	1,367	1,393	1,433	1,398	1,571	1,612	1,634	1,606	85.3
Kadina, Moonta, Wallaroo ..	980	1,400	1,422	1,452	1,425	1,615	1,639	1,675	1,643	70.9
Port Pirie	1,001	1,437	1,458	1,496	1,464	1,717	1,723	1,759	1,733	75.7
Mount Gambier	930	1,341	1,359	1,392	1,364	1,757	1,761	1,811	1,776	94.7
Peterborough	983	1,415	1,424	1,472	1,437	1,557	1,627	1,675	1,620	70.4
FIVE TOWNS (b) ..	891	1,370	1,396	1,435	1,400	1,580	1,619	1,643	1,614	84.4
WESTERN AUSTRALIA—										
Perth and Fremantle ..	947	1,474	1,495	1,496	1,488	1,735	1,688	1,699	1,707	79.4
Kalgoorlie and Boulder ..	1,102	1,597	1,622	1,624	1,614	1,838	1,820	1,841	1,833	67.1
Northam	981	1,489	1,506	1,507	1,501	1,683	1,713	1,729	1,708	76.2
Bunbury	975	1,472	1,496	1,497	1,488	1,770	1,711	1,718	1,733	76.2
Geraldton	958	1,498	1,533	1,535	1,522	1,716	1,745	1,756	1,739	83.3
FIVE TOWNS (b) ..	960	1,484	1,506	1,506	1,499	1,742	1,699	1,711	1,717	78.2
TASMANIA—										
Hobart	914	1,501	1,509	1,533	1,514	1,648	1,649	1,699	1,665	85.9
Launceston	905	1,448	1,470	1,490	1,469	1,597	1,622	1,674	1,631	85.0
Burnie	942	1,482	1,504	1,529	1,505	1,686	1,682	1,691	1,686	79.5
Devonport	930	1,492	1,514	1,536	1,514	1,726	1,735	1,754	1,738	88.6
Queenstown	1,018	1,566	1,579	1,627	1,590	1,663	1,679	1,705	1,682	67.5
FIVE TOWNS (b) ..	917	1,486	1,499	1,523	1,503	1,638	1,647	1,694	1,660	84.7
THIRTY TOWNS (b) ..	922	1,407	1,430	1,464	1,434	1,665	1,691	1,720	1,692	86.6
SIX CAPITALS (b) ..	918	1,402	1,426	1,460	1,429	1,663	1,688	1,716	1,689	86.9
Lithgow (N.S.W.) (c) *	948	1,437	1,462	1,501	1,467	1,737	1,737	1,780	1,751	87.8
Yallourn (V.) (c) ..	991	1,391	1,405	1,438	1,411	1,611	1,643	1,657	1,637	67.2
Warwick (Q.) (c) ..	851	1,367	1,382	1,415	1,388	1,573	1,568	1,590	1,577	86.8
Port Augusta (S.A.) (c)	994	1,432	1,454	1,506	1,464	1,669	1,745	1,757	1,724	76.8
Whyalla (S.A.) (c) ..	(d)	1,471	1,500	1,538	1,503	1,664	1,786	1,822	1,757	(d)
Rosebery (T.) (c) ..	1,028	1,570	1,572	1,607	1,583	(d)	(d)	(d)	(d)	(d)
Canberra (A.C.T.) (c)	1,046	1,481	1,509	1,543	1,511	1,784	1,790	1,770	1,781	69.2

(a) See note (a) on page 93.

(b) Weighted average.

(c) Not included in weighted averages above.

(d) Not available.

THE ALL ITEMS ("C" SERIES) RETAIL PRICE INDEX.

Retail Price Index-Numbers—Food, Groceries, Housing (4 and 5 Roomed Houses), Clothing and Miscellaneous Household Requirements.(a)

(Base : Weighted Average of Six Capital Cities, 1923-27=1,000.)

State and Town.	1938.	1946.	1947.	1948.	1949.	1950.	1949	1950.			
							Dec. Qtr.	Mar. Qtr.	June Qtr.	Sept. Qtr.	Dec. Qtr.
NEW SOUTH WALES—											
Sydney	913	1,165	1,212	1,318	1,439	1,593	1,486	1,515	1,564	1,613	1,680
Newcastle	877	1,119	1,167	1,279	1,402	1,543	1,449	1,473	1,519	1,552	1,628
Broken Hill	940	1,216	1,257	1,376	1,528	1,692	1,593	1,614	1,646	1,717	1,790
Goulburn	893	1,134	1,177	1,291	1,426	1,578	1,467	1,495	1,555	1,597	1,664
Bathurst	860	1,116	1,162	1,277	1,403	1,552	1,448	1,475	1,522	1,570	1,641
FIVE TOWNS(b) ..	911	1,162	1,208	1,315	1,437	1,591	1,485	1,513	1,562	1,610	1,678
VICTORIA—											
Melbourne	896	1,149	1,188	1,294	1,415	1,565	1,472	1,501	1,542	1,569	1,646
Ballarat	850	1,094	1,132	1,243	1,365	1,509	1,420	1,456	1,480	1,513	1,588
Bendigo	854	1,107	1,141	1,244	1,365	1,520	1,424	1,462	1,485	1,529	1,592
Geelong	884	1,124	1,170	1,278	1,397	1,549	1,457	1,493	1,523	1,559	1,619
Warrnambool	892	1,153	1,186	1,283	1,398	1,558	1,451	1,483	1,531	1,571	1,648
FIVE TOWNS(b) ..	893	1,145	1,184	1,290	1,411	1,561	1,468	1,498	1,538	1,566	1,642
QUEENSLAND—											
Brisbane	852	1,093	1,137	1,241	1,348	1,472	1,393	1,414	1,446	1,482	1,546
Toowoomba	843	1,107	1,152	1,246	1,360	1,456	1,408	1,429	1,455	1,496	1,562
Rockhampton	853	1,096	1,140	1,241	1,357	1,491	1,399	1,428	1,461	1,497	1,577
Townsville	902	1,136	1,181	1,282	1,404	1,525	1,444	1,469	1,506	1,528	1,595
Bundaberg	831	1,074	1,115	1,221	1,335	1,464	1,374	1,401	1,437	1,471	1,548
FIVE TOWNS(b) ..	854	1,097	1,140	1,244	1,352	1,478	1,397	1,419	1,451	1,487	1,553
SOUTH AUSTRALIA—											
Adelaide	888	1,120	1,165	1,277	1,393	1,521	1,440	1,456	1,492	1,527	1,608
Kadina, &c.	786	1,020	1,067	1,166	1,295	1,423	1,340	1,359	1,397	1,431	1,503
Port Pirie	868	1,106	1,152	1,260	1,369	1,500	1,416	1,433	1,468	1,501	1,597
Mount Gambier	849	1,093	1,134	1,235	1,340	1,499	1,382	1,405	1,452	1,516	1,622
Peterborough	868	1,108	1,152	1,253	1,368	1,496	1,419	1,435	1,475	1,501	1,571
FIVE TOWNS(b) ..	883	1,116	1,160	1,272	1,388	1,516	1,435	1,451	1,487	1,523	1,604
WESTERN AUSTRALIA—											
Perth, &c.	882	1,127	1,161	1,264	1,410	1,538	1,459	1,479	1,517	1,547	1,607
Kalgoorlie, &c.	1,048	1,223	1,265	1,368	1,502	1,636	1,544	1,571	1,616	1,652	1,706
Northam	900	1,133	1,171	1,272	1,420	1,550	1,467	1,494	1,532	1,561	1,614
Bunbury	914	1,136	1,173	1,277	1,424	1,559	1,472	1,499	1,532	1,573	1,633
Geraldton	957	1,187	1,221	1,327	1,475	1,611	1,521	1,546	1,590	1,623	1,686
FIVE TOWNS(b) ..	897	1,136	1,170	1,273	1,418	1,547	1,467	1,487	1,526	1,557	1,617
TASMANIA—											
Hobart	887	1,138	1,178	1,292	1,419	1,526	1,459	1,455	1,501	1,547	1,601
Launceston	872	1,099	1,147	1,254	1,389	1,493	1,425	1,424	1,465	1,513	1,569
Burnie	865	1,093	1,132	1,232	1,367	1,484	1,406	1,417	1,459	1,492	1,566
Devonport	848	1,079	1,119	1,220	1,351	1,481	1,398	1,413	1,454	1,487	1,571
Queenstown	875	1,139	1,179	1,280	1,400	1,494	1,436	1,431	1,471	1,518	1,555
FIVE TOWNS(b) ..	879	1,121	1,164	1,274	1,404	1,511	1,443	1,441	1,485	1,531	1,587
THIRTY TOWNS(b) ..	894	1,142	1,185	1,292	1,413	1,556	1,463	1,488	1,530	1,568	1,639
SIX CAPITALS(b) ..	897	1,145	1,188	1,295	1,415	1,560	1,466	1,491	1,534	1,572	1,643
Warwick (Q.)(c) ..	800	1,087	1,138	1,234	1,349	1,461	1,390	1,406	1,432	1,474	1,533
Port Augusta (S.A.)(c) ..	863	1,105	1,157	1,267	1,373	1,512	1,426	1,443	1,479	1,522	1,604
Whyalla (S.A.)(c) ..	(d)	(d)	1,175	1,277	1,379	1,515	1,430	1,446	1,488	1,518	1,609
Canberra (A.C.T.)(c) ..	966	1,170	1,210	1,327	1,456	1,600	1,503	1,531	1,567	1,614	1,689

(a) Owing to the revisions resulting from the 1936 Conference of Statisticians, certain slight breaks of continuity appear after the June quarter, 1936, in the group index-numbers for certain towns. The revision of the whole system was so arranged, however, that this break does not extend to the group index-numbers for the weighted average of the Six Capital Cities, or to the index-numbers for all groups combined for individual towns. (b) Weighted average. (c) Not included in weighted averages above. (d) Not available.

RETAIL PRICE INDEXES.

The All Items ("C" Series) Index and its Group Index-Numbers for the Six Capital Cities combined.

(Base of Each Group : Weighted Average of Six Capital Cities, 1923-27 = 1,000.)(a)

Period.	Food and Groceries.	Rent (4 and 5 Roomed Houses). (b)	Food, Groceries and Rent (4 and 5 Roomed Houses). ("B" Series).	Clothing.	Miscel- laneous.	All Items ("C" Series).
Year—						
1914 (c)	641	649	644	754	749	687
1919 (c)	1,026	768	934	1,238	1,036	1,022
1924	969	988	975	1,003	1,004	987
1925	998	1,008	1,002	991	992	997
1926	1,023	1,026	1,024	986	998	1,011
1927	1,000	1,030	1,011	975	1,008	1,002
1928	985	1,066	1,014	997	1,010	1,009
1929	1,044	1,073	1,054	996	1,007	1,033
1930	941	1,047	978	951	999	975
1931	826	901	852	853	973	873
1932	796	817	803	804	958	830
1933	751	804	768	787	950	804
1934	783	810	792	785	944	817
1935	806	839	818	783	946	832
1936	825	879	844	792	947	850
1937	851	912	872	811	960	873
1938	886	942	906	829	961	897
1939	927	965	939	841	962	920
1940	939	973	950	956	998	957
1941	947	976	956	1,118	1,060	1,008
1942	1,031	976	1,007	1,308	1,112	1,091
1943	1,037	975	1,011	1,440	1,160	1,131
1944	1,026	976	1,004	1,435	1,165	1,126
1945	1,034	975	1,009	1,425	1,161	1,126
1946	1,036	976	1,010	1,505	1,167	1,145
1947	1,100	977	1,050	1,566	1,199	1,188
1948	1,256	979	1,145	1,744	1,257	1,295
1949	1,394	982	1,230	1,997	1,338	1,415
1950	1,566	987	1,336	2,286	1,435	1,560
Quarter—						
1939—September ..	920	967	936	836	961	916
1945—September ..	1,040	975	1,013	1,415	1,161	1,126
1946—September ..	1,029	976	1,006	1,521	1,167	1,146
1947—September ..	1,104	977	1,052	1,566	1,213	1,192
1948—September ..	1,274	979	1,156	1,778	1,271	1,311
1949—September ..	1,396	982	1,232	2,043	1,345	1,428
1950—March ..	1,473	984	1,279	2,156	1,402	1,491
June ..	1,520	986	1,308	2,261	1,413	1,534
September ..	1,582	987	1,346	2,316	1,432	1,572
December ..	1,689	989	1,412	2,410	1,492	1,643

(a) The index-numbers given in the separate columns of the table cannot be compared with each other in order to show, for example, the relative cost of housing, and food and groceries, since the cost in each group or combination in 1923-27 is made equal to 1,000.

(b) Rent.—The rent index-numbers shown in the table above and others in this bulletin measure the proportionate rise and fall in the average weekly rentals paid for houses of four and five rooms taking corresponding houses throughout. They are "price" indexes in the strict sense, i.e., they are designed to measure only the "price" element in rent fluctuations. Similarly, "average rents" shown in the ensuing pages are indexes of "price" changes in rentals expressed in terms of pence. They are not the average of rents actually paid by all tenants of 4 and 5-roomed houses. It would be inappropriate to include the average of rents actually paid in an index designed to measure price changes only. The average of rents actually paid is ascertained periodically by Census methods (see also page 2 of *Labour Report* No. 37). Rentals of new tenanted houses completed since the end of the war are not taken into account.

(c) November.

**NEW SOUTH WALES—AVERAGE RETAIL PRICES RULING IN EACH OF FIVE PRINCIPAL TOWNS ON THE 15th OF THE MONTHS SPECIFIED
FOR THE YEAR 1950 : ALSO THE WEIGHTED AVERAGE WEEKLY HOUSE RENTS—QUARTER ENDED 31st DECEMBER, 1950.**

Article.	Unit.	SYDNEY.			NEWCASTLE.			BROKEN HILL.			GOULBURN.			BATHURST.		
		Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
Groceries, &c.—		d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.
Bread ..	2 lb.	7.87	7.87	9.23	8.00	8.00	9.50	10.00	10.20	11.50	8.50	8.50	10.00	8.50	8.50	10.00
Flour, ordinary ..	"	6.17	6.17	6.17	6.38	6.38	6.38	6.29	6.43	6.43	6.60	6.60	6.60	6.20	6.20	6.40
" self-raising ..	"	11.05	11.05	11.10	10.86	11.00	11.00	10.93	11.07	11.07	12.00	12.00	12.00	11.80	11.80	11.90
Tea ..	lb.	40.00	40.00	40.00	41.00	41.00	41.00	40.86	40.86	42.00	40.80	40.80	40.90	40.70	40.90	40.90
Sugar ..	"	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.25	5.25	5.25	5.86	6.00	6.00	5.50	5.50	5.50	5.25	5.25	5.25
Sago ..	"	9.65	9.70	9.70	10.17	10.17	10.67	10.07	10.14	10.14	10.70	10.60	10.50	9.60	10.10	10.10
Jam, plum ..	1½ lb.	20.30	20.40	20.40	20.07	20.21	20.21	19.57	19.50	19.50	20.60	20.50	20.60	20.70	20.70	20.80
Golden syrup ..	2 lb.	8.95	8.95	9.00	10.67	10.67	10.67	11.14	11.29	11.29	10.90	10.90	10.90	10.40	10.40	10.40
Oats, flaked ..	lb.	8.21	8.21	8.15	8.21	8.21	8.15	8.21	8.21	8.15	9.00	9.00	9.00	8.13	8.13	8.13
Raisins, seeded ..	"	20.13	20.38	20.38	20.00	20.00	20.00	20.71	21.25	21.25	21.25	21.25	21.25	20.50	20.50	20.50
Currants ..	"	16.61	16.67	16.67	15.80	16.00	16.10	15.79	15.79	15.86	16.38	17.17	17.17	14.75	15.25	15.18
Apricots, dried ..	"	34.33	34.33	34.33	33.00	33.00	33.00	30.33	30.00	30.75	36.00	36.00	36.00	36.00	36.00	36.00
Peaches, canned ..	30 oz.	21.50	21.50	21.60	21.75	21.75	21.93	23.58	23.50	23.50	22.70	22.50	22.50	22.25	22.25	22.25
Pears, canned ..	"	23.00	22.95	22.90	23.30	23.30	23.33	24.29	24.43	24.43	24.80	24.20	24.40	23.63	23.63	23.63
Potatoes ..	7 lb.	28.00	28.00	28.00	28.00	28.00	28.00	31.71	31.36	31.92	24.40	33.25	29.30	26.60	28.00	30.10
Onions, brown ..	lb.	5.00	6.00	6.00	4.83	6.50	6.50	7.40	7.40	8.63	5.50	6.50	6.50	5.50	6.50	6.50
Soap ..	"	10.29	10.29	10.29	10.29	10.29	10.29	11.83	11.89	11.94	11.14	11.14	11.14	10.86	10.92	10.92
Kerosene ..	quart	7.36	7.41	7.41	7.85	7.85	7.88	8.59	8.66	8.66	8.30	8.35	8.35	8.10	8.13	8.35
Dairy Produce—																
Butter, factory ..	lb.	26.00	26.00	26.00	26.00	26.00	26.00	28.57	29.07	29.00	26.50	26.50	26.50	26.50	26.50	26.50
Cheese, mild ..	"	19.50	19.50	19.50	19.83	19.83	19.83	22.07	22.07	22.43	20.00	20.00	20.00	20.00	20.00	20.00
Eggs, new laid ..	doz.	40.85	40.80	44.90	40.79	40.86	44.93	38.79	41.79	43.17	40.50	40.50	44.60	39.90	40.30	44.60
Bacon, rashers ..	lb.	47.05	46.75	46.35	44.90	44.10	44.10	46.17	46.00	46.50	48.80	47.40	47.00	48.38	45.83	46.38
Milk, condensed ..	tin	14.50	14.50	14.50	14.50	14.50	14.50	15.07	15.00	15.00	15.50	15.50	15.50	15.50	15.50	15.50
" fresh ..	quart	11.50	11.50	11.50	11.00	11.00	11.08	14.00	14.00	14.00	13.00	13.00	13.00	13.00	13.00	13.00
Meat—		December Quarter.			December Quarter.			December Quarter.			December Quarter.			December Quarter.		
Beef, sirloin ..	lb.	24.80			24.80			26.00			23.07			21.58		
" rib ..	"	16.67			15.88			23.80			15.89			16.46		
" steak, rump ..	"	34.58			34.64			36.00			32.50			33.50		
" chuck ..	"	18.37			18.48			24.95			18.27			17.33		
" sausages ..	"	14.84			16.06			16.00			14.47			15.33		
Beef (corned) silver-side ..	"	19.97			20.52			24.00			20.07			19.75		
" brisket ..	"	16.27			17.00			20.79			17.67			16.67		
Mutton, leg ..	"	15.96			15.64			26.00			18.55			18.58		
" forequarter ..	"	10.87			9.55			17.79			13.00			13.33		
" loin ..	"	18.07			16.94			28.00			18.72			19.83		
" chops, loin ..	"	18.48			18.19			30.00			18.89			20.92		
" leg ..	"	18.59			18.11			28.57			18.89			20.92		
Pork, leg ..	"	38.30			37.56			30.00			31.55			31.67		
" loin ..	"	39.47			37.76			30.14			32.05			31.67		
" chops ..	"	40.13			37.96			33.00			32.05			31.67		
House Rents (a) ..	4 and 5 Rooms	..	283.10	..	..	244.77	..	..	196.98	..	..	224.42	..	..	213.36	..

(a) Revised Series comparable only with averages published since December Quarter, 1936. See also footnote (b), page 94.

**VICTORIA—AVERAGE RETAIL PRICES RULING IN EACH OF FIVE PRINCIPAL TOWNS ON THE 15th OF THE MONTHS SPECIFIED
FOR THE YEAR 1950 ; ALSO THE WEIGHTED AVERAGE WEEKLY HOUSE RENTS—QUARTER ENDED 31st DECEMBER, 1950.**

PRICES.

Article.	Unit.	MELBOURNE.			BALLARAT.			BENDIGO.			GEELONG.			WARRNAMBOOL.		
		Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
Groceries, &c.—		d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.
Bread ..	2 lb.	8.50	8.50	8.50	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00
Flour, ordinary ..	"	5.75	5.75	5.75	5.71	5.71	5.71	6.00	6.29	6.29	5.60	5.60	5.60	5.80	5.80	5.80
" self-raising ..	"	10.00	10.00	10.05	11.00	11.07	11.07	11.43	11.50	11.57	10.00	10.00	10.00	11.00	11.00	11.00
Tea ..	lb.	40.00	40.00	40.00	38.93	38.93	38.50	40.50	40.50	40.50	40.50	40.50	40.50	40.60	40.60	40.60
Sugar ..	"	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.25	5.46	5.48	5.25	5.25	5.29	5.20	5.20	5.21	5.36	5.36	5.36
Sago ..	"	8.35	8.40	8.60	7.86	7.86	8.14	8.57	8.57	8.57	8.00	8.40	8.30	8.20	8.20	8.30
Jam, plum ..	1½ lb.	16.90	17.00	17.00	17.86	17.93	17.93	17.43	17.50	17.50	17.50	17.50	17.50	18.40	18.30	18.10
Golden syrup ..	2 lb.	9.55	9.55	9.55	10.64	10.79	10.71	10.71	10.64	10.64	9.80	9.90	9.90	11.00	10.80	10.80
Oats, flaked ..	lb.	6.47	6.47	6.53	7.00	7.00	7.00	7.17	7.17	7.17	6.67	6.67	6.67	7.50	7.50	7.50
Raisins, seeded ..	"	20.25	19.83	19.80	21.25	20.67	21.00	21.50	20.00	21.00	19.38	19.67	19.67	21.17	21.50	21.00
Currants ..	"	15.50	15.38	15.29	15.50	15.57	15.79	16.36	16.36	16.36	15.50	15.75	15.88	16.30	16.30	16.30
Apricots, dried ..	"	25.17	25.17	25.17	27.00	27.00	27.00	26.33	26.33	26.33	26.75	26.75	26.75	32.00	32.00	32.00
Peaches, canned ..	30 oz.	20.89	20.72	20.72	21.57	21.64	21.71	21.79	21.79	21.83	21.25	21.10	21.10	22.10	22.30	22.40
Pears, canned ..	"	22.20	22.06	21.94	22.93	22.93	22.93	22.93	23.00	23.00	22.38	22.40	22.40	23.30	23.50	23.50
Potatoes ..	7 lb.	28.00	28.00	30.92	29.00	29.15	31.86	30.30	35.07	37.93	27.80	31.72	33.50	25.51	30.10	31.30
Onions, brown ..	lb.	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.50	5.50	5.50	5.50	5.50	5.50	5.50	5.50	5.50	5.50	5.50	5.50
Soap ..	"	11.47	11.47	11.56	11.12	11.12	11.12	11.00	10.95	11.05	11.01	11.01	11.01	11.50	11.50	11.50
Kerosene ..	quart	7.42	7.42	7.44	7.61	7.66	7.66	8.73	8.73	8.73	6.80	6.85	6.98	7.85	7.85	7.88
Dairy Produce—																
Butter, factory ..	lb.	26.35	26.35	26.35	26.21	26.21	26.21	26.50	26.50	26.50	26.50	26.50	26.50	26.50	26.50	26.50
Cheese, mild ..	"	18.50	18.50	18.50	19.00	19.00	19.00	19.60	19.60	19.60	18.40	18.40	18.40	19.17	19.17	19.17
Eggs, new laid ..	doz.	37.80	37.80	41.00	37.86	37.14	40.14	37.14	38.00	41.14	37.40	37.40	41.00	38.00	38.00	41.00
Bacon, rashers ..	lb.	44.63	44.75	44.75	44.00	44.00	44.00	43.43	43.57	43.71	44.30	44.30	44.30	45.00	45.20	45.20
Milk, condensed ..	tin	15.00	15.00	15.00	15.29	15.29	15.43	15.93	15.93	16.00	14.90	14.90	14.90	15.40	15.60	15.60
" fresh ..	quart	11.39	11.42	11.42	11.50	11.50	11.50	10.50	10.50	10.50	11.25	11.25	11.25	10.31	10.19	10.19
Meat—		December Quarter.			December Quarter.			December Quarter.			December Quarter.			December Quarter.		
Beef, sirloin ..	lb.		24.28			22.86			21.49			21.66		21.64		
" rib ..	"		21.29			20.16			19.39			18.97		18.04		
" steak, rump ..	"		34.25			31.43			31.14			32.47		31.13		
" chuck ..	"		17.99			17.57			16.84			17.60		16.58		
" sausages ..	"		14.94			14.34			13.03			13.73		15.11		
Beef (corned) silver-side ..	"		23.33			22.45			21.10			21.90		21.36		
" brisket ..	"		17.40			16.09			16.18			16.40		16.58		
Mutton, leg ..	"		17.95			16.86			17.00			17.27		20.78		
" forequarter ..	"		11.79			9.78			10.68			7.33		13.34		
" loin ..	"		16.56			14.57			15.15			16.40		18.67		
" chops, loin ..	"		17.42			16.12			16.75			17.20		21.00		
" leg ..	"		18.21			16.76			16.08			17.07		21.00		
Pork, leg ..	"		36.88			35.00			35.00			36.77		36.00		
" loin ..	"		37.52			35.00			35.50			36.17		36.00		
" chops ..	"		38.05			35.75			36.00			37.07		36.00		
House Rents (a) ..	4 and 5 Rooms		264.00			184.14			194.56			240.04		237.66		

(a) Revised Series comparable only with averages published since December Quarter, 1936. See also footnote (b), page 91.

QUEENSLAND—AVERAGE RETAIL PRICES RULING IN EACH OF FIVE PRINCIPAL TOWNS ON THE 15th OF THE MONTHS SPECIFIED
FOR THE YEAR 1950 ; ALSO THE WEIGHTED AVERAGE WEEKLY HOUSE RENTS—QUARTER ENDED 31st DECEMBER, 1950.

Article.	Unit.	BRISBANE.			TOOWOOMBA.			ROCKHAMPTON.			TOWNSVILLE.			BUNDABERG.		
		Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
Groceries, &c.—		<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>
Bread ..	2 lb.	8.50	8.50	9.00	8.50	8.50	9.50	9.00	9.00	10.00	9.00	9.00	10.00	9.00	9.00	9.50
Flour, ordinary ..	"	5.36	5.36	5.41	5.43	5.43	5.43	6.64	6.71	6.64	6.20	6.60	6.60	5.90	5.90	6.10
" self-raising ..	"	11.23	11.23	11.23	12.67	12.67	12.67	13.07	13.07	13.07	13.80	13.60	13.60	12.50	12.50	12.50
Tea ..	lb.	39.09	39.09	39.09	39.57	39.57	39.57	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.80	38.90	38.90	39.40	39.40	39.40
Sugar ..	"	4.96	4.96	4.96	5.24	5.24	5.24	5.43	5.50	5.50	6.08	6.08	6.12	4.97	4.97	4.97
Sago ..	"	8.95	8.95	9.00	9.36	9.50	9.64	10.29	10.29	10.07	11.30	11.00	11.00	9.60	9.60	10.00
Jam, plum ..	1½ lb.	16.68	16.64	16.77	17.29	17.29	17.43	18.07	17.86	17.86	18.10	18.10	18.10	17.20	17.20	17.20
Golden syrup ..	2 lb.	8.95	8.95	9.91	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.36	10.36	10.36	10.70	10.70	10.70	9.40	9.40	9.40
Oats, flaked ..	lb.	8.00	8.00	8.00	8.50	8.50	8.50	8.50	8.50	8.50	8.00	8.00	8.00	8.00	8.00	8.00
Raisins, seeded ..	"	19.83	19.83	19.83	19.33	19.33	19.33	20.21	20.21	20.21	18.33	18.33	18.33	19.67	19.67	19.67
Currants ..	"	16.38	16.38	16.38	15.50	15.50	15.50	15.92	16.08	16.43	16.30	16.60	16.80	17.33	17.33	17.67
Apricots, dried ..	"	27.00	27.00	27.00	27.00	27.00	27.00	26.50	26.50	26.50	27.00	27.00	27.00	27.00	27.00	27.00
Peaches, canned ..	30 oz.	23.75	23.44	23.19	25.50	25.42	25.75	25.14	25.14	25.14	25.60	25.30	25.30	25.33	25.33	25.20
Pears, canned ..	"	24.33	24.25	24.37	26.00	26.00	26.25	26.42	26.36	26.36	26.60	26.40	26.50	26.00	26.00	26.00
Potatoes ..	7 lb.	26.10	24.50	24.82	31.00	27.25	26.93	26.00	27.43	27.29	27.70	28.10	29.88	30.80	30.10	27.00
Onions, brown ..	lb.	4.36	5.88	5.88	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.07	5.07	5.07	5.00	5.00	5.00	4.60	4.60	4.60
Soap ..	"	10.43	10.49	10.49	10.71	10.71	10.71	10.67	10.67	10.67	10.59	10.67	10.67	10.54	10.54	10.54
Kerosene ..	quart	6.93	6.93	6.91	7.56	7.56	7.56	8.31	8.34	8.34	7.13	7.13	7.13	7.53	7.55	7.55
Dairy Produce—																
Butter, factory ..	lb.	25.86	25.91	25.91	25.86	25.86	25.86	25.86	25.86	25.86	27.80	26.50	26.50	25.70	25.70	25.70
Cheese, mild ..	"	17.95	17.95	17.95	17.43	17.43	17.43	18.64	18.64	18.71	20.70	20.80	20.80	18.20	18.20	18.20
Eggs, new laid ..	doz.	36.00	36.00	39.00	32.57	33.00	35.50	33.00	34.71	37.29	37.50	40.00	42.50	26.80	29.60	35.40
Bacon, rashers ..	lb.	35.41	36.91	37.36	35.43	36.07	36.43	35.71	36.29	36.57	38.00	37.60	37.80	35.50	35.90	36.50
Milk, condensed ..	tin	14.73	14.68	14.68	14.86	14.86	14.92	15.36	15.36	15.36	15.20	15.20	15.20	15.00	15.00	15.00
" fresh ..	quart	10.60	10.60	10.60	10.21	10.21	10.21	10.50	10.50	10.50	12.40	12.40	12.40	10.50	10.50	10.50
Meat—		December Quarter.			December Quarter.			December Quarter.			December Quarter.			December Quarter.		
Beef, sirloin ..	lb.	21.10			21.50			21.00			21.50			21.50		
" rib ..	"	14.00			14.50			14.00			14.50			14.50		
" steak, rump ..	"	27.15			27.00			24.38			25.00			25.00		
" chuck ..	"	14.18			13.72			14.55			14.00			15.10		
" sausages ..	"	11.93			12.72			12.43			12.00			12.80		
Beef (corned) silver-side ..	"	18.00			19.50			19.00			18.43			19.50		
" brisket ..	"	14.11			15.14			16.43			14.75			16.57		
Mutton, leg ..	"	14.86			14.95			21.40			16.05			19.67		
" forequarter ..	"	10.24			11.25			15.85			11.14			15.42		
" loin ..	"	13.55			14.23			19.62			13.06			18.54		
" chops, loin ..	"	15.15			15.28			19.17			13.46			19.58		
" leg ..	"	14.37			14.84			19.62			15.44			19.67		
Pork, leg ..	"	34.00			29.57			26.86			27.28			25.73		
" loin ..	"	33.39			29.57			26.86			27.07			25.80		
" chops ..	"	33.44			29.57			26.86			27.07			26.13		
House Rents (a) ..	4 and 5 Rooms	..	242.11	..	..	230.12	..	..	225.70	..	..	218.36	..	..	180.15	..

(a) Revised Series comparable only with averages published since December Quarter, 1936. See also footnote (b), page 94.

SOUTH AUSTRALIA—AVERAGE RETAIL PRICES RULING IN EACH OF FIVE PRINCIPAL TOWNS ON THE 15th OF THE MONTHS SPECIFIED FOR THE YEAR 1950 : ALSO THE WEIGHTED AVERAGE WEEKLY HOUSE RENTS—QUARTER ENDED 31st DECEMBER, 1950.

Article.	Unit.	ADELAIDE.			KADINA.			PORT PHILL.			MOUNT GAMBIER.			PETERBOROUGH.		
		Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
Groceries, &c.—		<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>
Bread ..	2 lb.	7.75	7.75	9.00	8.92	8.92	9.67	9.00	9.00	10.50	9.00	9.00	10.33	8.83	8.83	10.17
Flour, ordinary ..	"	5.55	5.55	5.55	5.50	5.50	5.57	5.79	5.79	5.86	5.50	5.50	5.50	6.13	5.88	5.88
" self-raising ..	"	8.95	9.05	9.10	10.00	10.07	10.07	10.14	10.14	10.14	9.70	9.70	9.90	10.13	10.25	10.38
Tea ..	lb.	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.50	40.50	40.50	40.07	40.07	40.07	40.50	40.50	40.50	40.50	40.50	40.50
Sugar ..	"	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.33	5.33	5.33	5.43	5.42	5.42	5.50	5.50	5.50	5.50	5.50	5.50
Sago ..	"	9.55	9.80	9.95	10.14	10.29	10.36	10.00	10.83	10.92	9.80	10.30	10.80	10.33	10.38	10.75
Jam, plum ..	1½ lb.	17.60	17.75	17.75	18.43	18.43	18.43	18.21	18.21	18.21	18.90	18.90	18.90	18.88	19.00	19.00
Golden syrup ..	2 lb.	9.50	9.50	9.50	10.29	10.29	10.29	10.14	10.29	10.29	10.38	10.38	10.38	10.25	10.25	10.25
Oats, flaked ..	lb.	7.92	7.96	7.96	7.92	7.96	7.96	8.00	8.00	8.00	7.00	7.00	7.00	8.00	8.00	8.00
Raisins, seeded ..	"	20.59	20.88	20.17	20.40	20.40	20.40	19.33	19.33	20.00	18.88	19.50	20.88	19.25	19.25	19.25
Currants ..	"	15.90	15.90	15.90	16.43	16.50	16.43	16.29	16.30	16.50	16.40	16.40	16.60	16.17	16.17	16.25
Apricots, dried ..	"	28.79	28.67	28.67	30.00	30.00	30.00	29.83	29.17	29.17	28.90	28.88	28.38	29.00	29.00	29.00
Peaches, canned ..	30 oz.	20.35	20.39	20.39	21.21	21.38	21.50	21.50	21.50	21.50	21.80	21.80	21.80	21.88	21.83	21.83
Pears, canned ..	"	21.50	21.50	21.50	22.40	22.33	22.50	22.36	22.36	22.36	22.70	22.70	22.70	22.75	22.75	22.75
Potatoes ..	7 lb.	28.00	34.00	28.00	30.83	30.83	33.17	31.00	34.21	31.07	27.00	27.00	28.00	31.00	31.38	33.00
Onions, brown ..	lb.	9.00	8.50	9.00	9.63	9.70	8.58	9.63	9.70	8.58	6.00	6.00	6.00	9.00	9.00	9.00
Soap ..	"	10.67	10.67	10.67	11.00	11.00	11.00	10.76	10.76	10.76	11.00	11.00	11.00	11.08	11.08	11.08
Kerosene ..	quart	6.77	6.77	6.77	7.09	7.09	7.09	7.38	7.39	7.39	7.58	7.58	7.58	7.19	7.19	7.35
Dairy Produce—																
Butter, factory ..	lb.	26.00	26.00	26.00	26.50	26.50	26.50	26.50	26.50	26.50	26.00	26.00	26.00	26.00	26.00	26.00
Cheese, mild ..	"	17.94	17.94	17.94	18.42	18.42	18.42	18.25	18.25	18.25	18.00	18.00	18.00	18.33	18.33	18.33
Eggs, new laid ..	doz.	35.10	36.50	39.50	30.00	30.00	31.17	30.00	30.00	30.67	26.33	27.00	30.40	30.00	30.00	30.67
Bacon, rashers ..	lb.	41.15	41.10	41.15	42.00	42.33	42.33	41.83	42.83	42.83	41.80	41.80	42.00	41.88	41.88	41.88
Milk, condensed ..	tin	13.85	13.90	13.90	14.50	14.50	14.50	14.36	14.36	14.36	14.50	14.50	14.60	14.38	14.38	14.38
" fresh ..	quart	10.00	10.00	11.00	11.00	11.00	11.83	11.00	11.00	12.00	9.00	9.00	9.67	10.00	10.00	11.00
Meat—		December Quarter.			December Quarter.			December Quarter.			December Quarter.			December Quarter.		
Beef, sirloin ..	lb.	18.91			19.16			19.96			24.00			17.55		
" rib ..	"	15.83			16.57			17.54			21.50			15.33		
" steak, rump ..	"	28.69			28.81			30.90			33.20			28.33		
" chuck ..	"	17.21			17.47			19.64			20.40			17.34		
" sausages ..	"	11.39			12.00			13.64			15.00			10.78		
Beef (corned) silver-side ..	"	19.75			20.04			22.78			26.40			19.67		
" brisket ..	"	15.06			15.90			17.51			20.60			14.94		
Mutton, leg ..	"	16.36			15.97			18.17			21.73			15.44		
" forequarter ..	"	9.63			9.20			12.69			15.93			9.83		
" loin ..	"	15.54			14.11			17.58			21.60			14.78		
" chops, loin ..	"	16.23			15.95			18.66			22.40			15.22		
" leg ..	"	16.94			16.43			19.36			22.33			16.06		
Pork, leg ..	"	32.80			24.67			30.00			29.60			26.89		
" loin ..	"	33.13			24.50			30.00			29.60			26.11		
" chops ..	"	33.48			25.70			32.80			33.60			29.67		
House Rents (a) ..	4 and 5 Rooms	..	252.58	..	..	102.31	..	..	179.59	..	..	184.78	..	..	193.74	..

(a) Revised Series comparable only with averages published since December Quarter, 1936. See also footnote (b), page 94.

WESTERN AUSTRALIA—AVERAGE RETAIL PRICES RULING IN EACH OF FIVE PRINCIPAL TOWNS ON THE 15th OF THE MONTHS SPECIFIED FOR THE YEAR 1950 : ALSO THE WEIGHTED AVERAGE WEEKLY HOUSE RENTS—QUARTER ENDED 31st DECEMBER, 1950.

Article.	Unit.	PERTH.			KALGOORLIE.			NORTHAM.			BUNBURY.			GERALDTON.		
		Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
Groceries, &c.—		d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.
Bread ..	2 lb.	8.00	8.00	8.00	8.50	8.50	8.50	8.00	8.00	8.00	8.00	8.00	8.00	8.00	8.00	8.00
Flour, ordinary ..	"	6.00	6.00	6.20	6.00	6.00	6.14	6.00	6.00	6.25	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00
" self-raising ..	"	10.50	10.50	11.40	12.00	12.00	12.86	11.50	11.50	12.25	11.50	11.50	12.50	11.50	11.50	12.50
Tea ..	lb.	40.00	40.00	40.00	42.00	42.00	42.00	40.50	40.50	40.50	40.63	40.63	40.63	41.00	41.00	41.00
Sugar ..	"	5.00	5.00	5.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	5.50	5.50	5.50	5.50	5.50	5.50	6.00	6.00	6.00
Sago ..	"	8.25	8.60	9.15	10.57	11.21	11.36	10.13	10.38	10.38	10.63	10.63	10.63	10.13	10.88	11.00
Jam, plum ..	1½ lb.	18.10	18.25	18.20	20.00	19.93	20.00	19.38	19.25	19.25	19.13	19.13	19.13	19.30	19.10	19.10
Golden syrup ..	2 lb.	10.06	10.05	10.10	12.00	12.00	12.00	11.00	11.00	11.00	11.63	11.63	11.63	11.50	11.50	11.50
Oats, flaked ..	lb.	8.00	8.17	8.10	9.33	9.33	9.33	9.50	10.00	10.00	9.50	10.00	9.75	9.00	9.00	9.00
Raisins, seeded ..	"	23.33	23.67	24.70	24.50	24.50	24.00	23.50	23.50	23.00	23.50	23.25	23.25	24.00	24.00	24.00
Currants ..	"	17.11	17.06	17.50	18.83	19.17	19.25	18.00	18.00	18.00	18.38	18.38	18.38	18.50	18.60	18.60
Apricots, dried ..	"	36.00	36.00	36.00	36.00	36.00	37.50	36.00	36.00	36.00	37.00	37.00	37.00	36.00	36.00	36.00
Peaches, canned ..	30 oz.	23.75	23.67	23.70	25.00	24.80	25.50	22.83	22.83	22.83	22.50	22.50	22.50	24.25	23.33	22.50
Pears, canned ..	"	25.00	25.00	24.90	26.50	26.20	27.00	26.00	26.00	26.00	26.25	26.17	26.33	26.25	26.50	26.50
Potatoes ..	7 lb.	20.00	20.00	20.00	20.50	20.93	20.93	20.17	20.63	20.63	19.50	20.25	20.25	20.60	20.60	20.70
Onions, brown ..	lb.	8.92	4.00	4.00	9.50	4.50	4.50	9.50	4.50	4.50	9.50	4.50	4.50	9.50	4.50	4.50
Soap ..	"	11.26	11.26	11.26	12.43	12.33	12.33	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.07
Kerosene ..	quart	9.16	9.16	9.16	11.59	11.62	11.66	10.04	10.04	10.04	10.40	10.40	10.40	10.54	10.28	10.33
Dairy Produce—																
Butter, factory ..	lb.	26.50	26.50	26.50	28.43	28.50	28.50	27.00	27.00	27.00	26.50	26.50	26.50	27.50	27.50	27.50
Cheese, mild ..	"	21.00	21.00	21.00	22.50	22.50	22.50	21.50	21.50	21.50	22.00	22.00	22.00	22.00	22.00	22.00
Eggs, new laid ..	doz.	39.00	39.00	42.00	35.00	36.71	43.00	39.00	39.00	42.00	39.00	39.00	42.00	39.00	39.00	42.00
Bacon, rashers ..	lb.	40.00	41.00	43.45	41.71	42.29	44.64	40.50	41.25	44.50	40.88	42.13	43.75	41.00	42.20	44.40
Milk, condensed ..	tin	15.00	15.00	15.00	16.50	16.50	16.50	16.00	16.00	16.00	16.00	16.00	16.00	16.00	16.00	16.00
" fresh ..	quart	12.00	12.00	12.00	15.00	15.00	15.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	11.00	11.00	11.00	13.50	13.50	13.50
Meat—		December Quarter.			December Quarter.			December Quarter.			December Quarter.			December Quarter.		
Beef, sirloin ..	lb.	22.59	22.59	22.59	22.99	22.99	22.99	22.33	22.33	22.33	23.22	23.22	23.22	22.33	22.33	22.33
" rib ..	"	20.16	20.16	20.16	21.53	21.53	21.53	18.58	18.58	18.58	20.00	20.00	20.00	18.67	18.67	18.67
" steak, rump ..	"	29.57	29.57	29.57	30.11	30.11	30.11	29.33	29.33	29.33	30.33	30.33	30.33	29.33	29.33	29.33
" chuck ..	"	19.63	19.63	19.63	20.15	20.15	20.15	19.67	19.67	19.67	20.67	20.67	20.67	19.67	19.67	19.67
" sausages ..	"	14.54	14.54	14.54	13.46	13.46	13.46	14.00	14.00	14.00	14.04	14.04	14.04	14.00	14.00	14.00
Beef (corned) silver-side ..	"	20.37	20.37	20.37	21.00	21.00	21.00	20.67	20.67	20.67	21.44	21.44	21.44	20.67	20.67	20.67
" brisket ..	"	17.40	17.40	17.40	17.83	17.83	17.83	17.33	17.33	17.33	18.33	18.33	18.33	17.33	17.33	17.33
Mutton, leg ..	"	19.27	19.27	19.27	20.22	20.22	20.22	18.67	18.67	18.67	19.67	19.67	19.67	18.67	18.67	18.67
" forequarter ..	"	12.97	12.97	12.97	13.81	13.81	13.81	12.25	12.25	12.25	13.47	13.47	13.47	12.11	12.11	12.11
" loin ..	"	19.08	19.08	19.08	20.22	20.22	20.22	18.33	18.33	18.33	19.58	19.58	19.58	18.22	18.22	18.22
" chops, loin ..	"	19.13	19.13	19.13	20.27	20.27	20.27	18.67	18.67	18.67	19.67	19.67	19.67	18.67	18.67	18.67
" leg ..	"	18.80	18.80	18.80	19.51	19.51	19.51	18.50	18.50	18.50	19.15	19.15	19.15	17.78	17.78	17.78
Pork, leg ..	"	37.63	37.63	37.63	37.00	37.00	37.00	30.50	30.50	30.50	36.00	36.00	36.00	30.00	30.00	30.00
" loin ..	"	37.63	37.63	37.63	37.00	37.00	37.00	30.50	30.50	30.50	36.00	36.00	36.00	30.00	30.00	30.00
" chops ..	"	37.63	37.63	37.63	38.00	38.00	38.00	30.50	30.50	30.50	36.00	36.00	36.00	30.00	30.00	30.00
House Rents (a) ..	4 and 5 Rooms	..	243.62	..	..	283.93	..	..	243.31	..	..	260.20	..	..	275.55	..

(a) Revised Series comparable only with averages published since December Quarter, 1936. See also footnote (b), page 94.

TASMANIA—AVERAGE RETAIL PRICES RULING IN EACH OF FIVE PRINCIPAL TOWNS ON THE 15th OF THE MONTHS SPECIFIED FOR THE YEAR 1950 : ALSO THE WEIGHTED AVERAGE WEEKLY HOUSE RENTS—QUARTER ENDED 31st DECEMBER, 1950.

Article.	Unit.	HOBART.			LAUNCESTON.			BURNIE.			DEVONPORT.			QUEENSTOWN.		
		Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
Groceries, &c.—		d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.
Bread ..	2 lb.	8.00	8.00	9.00	8.00	8.00	9.00	8.50	8.50	9.50	8.50	8.50	9.50	8.50	8.50	9.50
Flour, ordinary ..	"	5.60	5.60	5.70	5.64	5.64	5.93	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.20	6.20	6.20	5.88	5.88	5.88
" self-raising ..	"	10.50	10.50	10.50	10.36	10.29	10.43	10.80	10.80	10.80	10.60	10.60	10.60	11.13	11.13	11.13
Tea ..	lb.	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.13	40.13	40.13
Sugar ..	"	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.05	5.05	5.05	5.25	5.25	5.25
Sago ..	"	9.55	10.00	10.15	9.14	9.64	9.64	9.50	9.90	9.80	9.40	9.80	10.10	10.13	10.13	10.13
Jam, plum ..	1½ lb.	15.00	15.05	15.45	15.00	15.00	15.64	15.10	15.10	15.10	14.40	14.40	14.40	15.38	15.40	15.40
Golden syrup ..	2 lb.	10.10	10.10	10.10	10.07	10.07	10.07	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.10	10.10	10.10	10.75	10.75	10.88
Oats, flaked ..	lb.	8.00	8.00	8.00	7.93	7.93	7.93	8.50	8.50	8.50	8.75	8.50	8.50	8.00	8.00	8.00
Raisins, seeded ..	"	21.50	21.50	21.50	20.88	20.88	20.88	21.00	21.00	21.50	22.50	22.50	21.75	21.25	21.25	21.38
Currants ..	"	17.35	17.35	17.35	16.43	16.43	16.58	16.90	17.00	17.00	17.20	17.20	17.20	18.00	18.00	18.00
Apricots, dried ..	"	29.75	29.75	29.75	30.33	30.33	30.33	27.00	27.00	27.00	28.00	28.00	28.00	25.00	25.00	25.00
Peaches, canned ..	30 oz.	21.71	21.81	21.94	21.75	21.75	21.83	22.00	22.00	22.00	22.00	22.00	22.00	23.00	22.75	22.88
Pears, canned ..	"	22.39	22.39	22.56	22.33	22.33	22.25	22.70	22.33	22.33	22.50	22.50	22.50	23.00	23.25	23.25
Potatoes ..	7 lb.	21.42	25.27	31.80	20.79	21.00	27.43	20.53	20.07	24.17	22.45	26.25	27.13	22.96	27.00	26.31
Onions, brown ..	lb.	9.50	9.50	9.50	6.11	6.11	6.11	7.46	7.46	7.46	7.33	7.33	7.33	6.79	6.79	6.79
Soap ..	"	10.67	10.67	10.67	10.67	10.67	10.67	10.67	10.67	10.67	10.67	10.67	10.67	11.00	11.00	11.00
Kerosene ..	quart	10.24	10.24	10.24	9.29	9.29	9.29	10.07	10.07	10.07	9.91	9.91	9.91	10.96	10.96	10.96
Dairy Produce—																
Butter, factory ..	lb.	26.50	26.50	26.50	26.50	26.50	26.50	26.50	26.50	26.50	26.50	26.50	26.50	26.50	26.50	26.50
Cheese, mild ..	"	19.00	19.00	19.00	19.00	19.00	19.00	19.00	19.00	19.00	19.00	18.50	18.50	18.50	19.50	19.50
Eggs, new laid ..	doz.	36.15	36.10	39.45	36.14	36.21	39.64	35.00	35.33	39.00	36.15	36.10	39.45	37.67	37.67	39.67
Bacon, rashers ..	lb.	39.90	36.56	40.60	40.71	41.29	41.29	40.80	40.80	41.60	39.75	42.00	42.00	40.38	41.38	41.75
Milk, condensed ..	tin	15.00	15.00	15.00	15.00	15.00	15.00	15.00	15.00	15.00	15.00	15.00	15.00	15.50	15.50	15.50
" fresh ..	quart	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	11.50	11.50	11.50	16.00	16.00	16.00
Meat—		December Quarter.			December Quarter.			December Quarter.			December Quarter.			December Quarter.		
Beef, sirloin ..	lb.	22.30			21.05			21.00			21.45			20.33		
" rib ..	"	19.79			18.45			19.58			19.17			17.72		
" steak, rump ..	"	28.28			26.95			29.25			26.56			26.50		
" chuck ..	"	18.28			16.66			17.92			18.33			16.50		
" sausages ..	"	12.39			14.63			14.75			13.00			15.33		
Beef (corned) silver-side ..	"	21.14			20.65			20.58			21.78			19.47		
" brisket ..	"	18.39			17.59			18.08			20.33			16.33		
Mutton, leg ..	"	16.85			16.93			19.00			20.97			15.50		
" forequarter ..	"	9.61			9.96			10.83			16.57			8.00		
" loin ..	"	15.20			15.44			17.33			20.67			15.50		
" chops, loin ..	"	15.70			16.65			19.33			21.77			15.50		
" leg ..	"	16.24			16.68			19.33			20.67			15.50		
Pork, leg ..	"	34.20			29.43			30.00			30.66			29.33		
" loin ..	"	33.77			29.28			30.00			30.66			29.33		
" chops ..	"	34.60			29.28			30.00			31.33			29.00		
House Rents (a) ..	4 and 5 Rooms	253.61			236.36			215.11			195.79			206.49		

(a) Revised Series comparable only with averages published since December Quarter, 1936. See also footnote (b), page 94.

MELBOURNE WHOLESALE PRICE INDEX-NUMBERS.

(Base of each Group : 1911 = 1,000.)

Period.	Metals and Coal.	Wool, Cotton, Leather, &c.	Agri- cultural Pro- duce, &c.	Dairy Pro- duce.	Gro- ceries.	Meat.	Building Ma- terials.	Chem- icals.	All Groups.
1861..	1,438	1,381	1,583	1,008	1,963	..	1,070	2,030	1,538
1871..	1,096	1,257	1,236	864	1,586	..	1,044	1,409	1,229
1881..	1,178	1,115	1,012	935	1,421	..	1,091	1,587	1,121
1891..	895	847	1,024	995	1,032	888	780	1,194	945
1901..	1,061	774	928	1,029	1,048	1,345	841	917	974
1902..	1,007	756	1,192	1,215	945	1,447	837	881	1,051
1903..	923	834	1,209	1,059	936	1,443	875	921	1,049
1904..	821	885	754	876	916	1,427	845	875	890
1905..	772	850	894	980	942	1,209	809	859	910
1906..	882	978	916	972	923	1,110	896	864	948
1907..	1,037	1,017	973	1,020	948	1,294	968	961	1,021
1908..	1,033	901	1,312	1,198	968	1,335	935	891	1,115
1909..	1,014	907	1,000	1,119	978	1,088	911	815	993
1910..	1,004	1,052	969	1,100	999	1,008	996	898	1,003
1911..	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
1912..	1,021	991	1,370	1,206	1,052	1,357	1,057	978	1,170
1913..	1,046	1,070	1,097	1,054	1,024	1,252	1,128	995	1,188
1914..	1,099	1,032	1,207	1,137	1,021	1,507	1,081	1,253	1,149
1915..	1,284	1,017	2,162	1,530	1,133	2,435	1,275	1,528	1,604
1916..	1,695	1,423	1,208	1,485	1,322	2,515	1,491	1,760	1,504
1917..	2,129	2,008	1,157	1,423	1,343	2,403	1,884	2,171	1,862
1918..	2,416	2,360	1,444	1,454	1,422	2,385	2,086	3,225	1,934
1919..	2,121	2,363	1,987	1,651	1,514	2,342	2,862	2,896	2,055
1920..	2,302	2,625	2,460	2,213	1,920	3,279	3,226	2,834	2,483
1921..	2,173	1,361	1,767	2,000	1,977	2,158	2,733	2,303	1,903
1922..	1,941	1,681	1,628	1,648	1,869	1,787	2,005	1,965	1,758
1923..	1,826	2,148	1,778	1,840	1,746	2,579	2,024	1,933	1,944
1924..	1,835	2,418	1,647	1,655	1,721	2,223	1,814	1,806	1,885
1925..	1,851	1,966	1,796	1,636	1,723	2,212	1,711	1,790	1,844
1926..	1,938	1,582	2,001	1,784	1,730	1,931	1,664	1,816	1,832
1927..	1,962	1,650	1,826	1,823	1,724	2,111	1,623	1,866	1,817
1928..	1,912	1,781	1,726	1,751	1,707	2,015	1,744	1,923	1,792
1929..	1,912	1,555	1,793	1,854	1,689	2,245	1,755	1,943	1,803
1930..	1,867	1,127	1,484	1,627	1,666	2,024	1,876	1,982	1,596
1931..	1,826	1,040	1,121	1,398	1,794	1,512	2,025	2,166	1,429
1932..	1,736	998	1,230	1,304	1,766	1,351	2,043	2,127	1,411
1933..	1,713	1,118	1,175	1,194	1,714	1,485	2,061	2,105	1,409
1934..	1,660	1,261	1,288	1,274	1,735	1,540	2,015	2,017	1,471
1935..	1,602	1,217	1,344	1,825	1,729	1,508	1,964	1,996	1,469
1936..	1,566	1,330	1,480	1,351	1,731	1,684	1,969	1,907	1,543
1937..	1,772	1,406	1,604	1,451	1,750	1,678	2,430	2,006	1,656
1938..	1,746	1,051	1,789	1,549	1,747	1,871	2,238	2,059	1,662
1939..	1,758	1,101	1,820	1,557	1,752	1,710	2,220	2,075	1,665
1940..	1,854	1,361	1,567	1,567	1,784	1,882	2,890	2,298	1,713
1941..	1,960	1,402	1,721	1,554	1,883	1,776	3,138	2,527	1,796
1942..	2,146	1,507	1,900	1,665	1,938	2,312	3,409	2,437	1,977
1943..	2,272	1,945	1,964	1,716	1,939	2,366	3,764	2,442	2,117
1944..	2,278	1,967	2,052	1,721	1,949	2,470	3,768	2,442	2,159
1945..	2,270	1,960	2,259	1,726	1,967	2,560	3,770	2,527	2,228
1946..	2,262	2,062	1,951	1,722	1,977	2,589	3,772	2,614	2,162
1947..	2,390	2,690	2,019	1,763	2,174	2,748	3,800	2,843	2,360
1948..	2,829	3,619	2,383	2,104	2,435	2,976	4,631	3,180	2,824
1949..	3,502	3,966	2,876	2,309	2,558	3,356	4,611	3,221	3,191

NOTE.—The index of wholesale prices above was first computed in 1912 and relates chiefly to basic materials and foods weighted in accordance with consumption in the years immediately preceding that date. Neither the component items nor the weighting have been varied. Consequently the index is a measure of changes in wholesale price levels based on usages which have altered substantially since the period on which the weighting was determined. As such it is useful as an indication of long-term trends over the past 88 years which it covers, on the assumption that the relative importance of component items remained constant. But it no longer serves as a measure of price variations from month to month or from year to year of commodities weighted in accordance with present-day consumption. Reference to a description of the index published in the annual *Labour Report* will indicate that animal feeders preponderate in the "Agricultural Produce" group, while "Building Materials" include little besides imported timber. In other groups, some principal items have increased in consumption while others have decreased. A new wholesale price index, covering basic materials and foodstuffs, has therefore been computed, in which the items have been regrouped and reweighted as indicated, and comparative index-numbers back to 1936-37 are published on the next page.

WHOLESALE PRICE INDEX-NUMBERS—BASIC MATERIALS AND FOODSTUFFS.

Following a conference of Statisticians in 1930 an index has been computed from new data on prices and consumption. Both in contents and method of computation it differs from the Melbourne Index of Wholesale Prices published on the previous page. The price quotations have in the main been obtained directly from manufacturers and merchants, and, with a few important exceptions, from Melbourne sources. Apart from home-produced building materials, coal and one or two minor commodities, however, the price movements may be taken as representative of fluctuations in wholesale prices of basic materials in most Australian markets. The weighting system adopted is based on average annual consumption during the years 1928-29 to 1934-35 inclusive.

(Base of each Group : Average 3 years ended June, 1939 = 1,000.)

Period.	Basic Materials.							Food-stuffs and Tobacco.	Basic Materials and Foodstuffs.		
	Metals and Coal.	Oils, Fats and Waxes.	Textiles.	Chemicals.	Rubber and Hides.	Building Materials.	Total.		Goods principally Imported. (a)	Goods principally Home Produced.	Total—All Groups.
1936-37 ..	962	984	1,185	988	1,106	989	994	974	991	980	984
1937-38 ..	1,013	1,012	1,000	1,001	969	1,041	1,014	997	1,018	1,000	1,005
1938-39 ..	1,025	1,004	815	1,011	925	970	992	1,020	991	1,020	1,011
1943-44 ..	1,310	1,695	1,501	1,432	1,398	1,743	1,527	1,287	1,823	1,217	1,396
1944-45 ..	1,307	1,675	1,518	1,428	1,398	1,747	1,522	1,308	1,819	1,232	1,405
1945-46 ..	1,302	1,561	1,518	1,416	1,398	1,766	1,490	1,348	1,782	1,257	1,412
1946-47 ..	1,318	1,453	1,913	1,401	1,313	1,802	1,488	1,380	1,768	1,288	1,429
1947-48 ..	1,460	1,607	2,833	1,478	1,261	1,888	1,655	1,532	1,924	1,448	1,588
1948-49 ..	1,849	1,737	3,419	1,594	1,301	1,933	1,884	1,747	2,008	1,727	1,809
1949-50 ..	2,144	1,842	4,335	1,867	1,426	2,247	2,145	1,979	2,231	1,982	2,054
1947-48—											
July ..	1,353	1,519	2,129	1,412	1,149	1,851	1,534	1,438	1,831	1,336	1,482
August ..	1,353	1,536	2,423	1,412	1,149	1,853	1,550	1,439	1,857	1,341	1,493
September ..	1,358	1,578	2,515	1,424	1,216	1,853	1,579	1,452	1,890	1,351	1,509
October ..	1,359	1,578	2,582	1,434	1,216	1,862	1,586	1,484	1,922	1,366	1,529
November ..	1,392	1,578	2,606	1,434	1,296	1,900	1,621	1,514	1,947	1,402	1,562
December ..	1,510	1,632	2,795	1,434	1,204	1,908	1,676	1,537	1,954	1,453	1,601
January ..	1,513	1,616	3,027	1,529	1,307	1,914	1,696	1,567	1,928	1,500	1,626
February ..	1,513	1,616	3,123	1,529	1,315	1,923	1,703	1,590	1,933	1,520	1,641
March ..	1,514	1,654	2,991	1,529	1,266	1,918	1,704	1,590	1,950	1,514	1,642
April ..	1,514	1,659	3,004	1,532	1,265	1,922	1,707	1,591	1,952	1,515	1,644
May ..	1,571	1,659	3,199	1,532	1,319	1,934	1,742	1,590	1,959	1,534	1,659
June ..	1,571	1,659	3,403	1,533	1,345	1,944	1,757	1,591	1,960	1,544	1,667
1948-49—											
July ..	1,651	1,724	3,323	1,533	1,361	1,948	1,800	1,614	2,000	1,573	1,699
August ..	1,651	1,724	3,328	1,537	1,347	1,952	1,801	1,699	2,025	1,629	1,745
September ..	1,697	1,733	3,371	1,538	1,347	1,964	1,823	1,689	2,017	1,639	1,750
October ..	1,697	1,734	3,197	1,593	1,347	1,964	1,818	1,688	2,015	1,636	1,747
November ..	1,876	1,734	3,484	1,592	1,349	1,966	1,895	1,735	2,008	1,724	1,807
December ..	1,876	1,734	3,650	1,595	1,312	1,985	1,907	1,761	2,010	1,751	1,827
January ..	1,936	1,741	3,639	1,623	1,275	1,986	1,929	1,765	2,011	1,769	1,840
February ..	1,936	1,741	3,721	1,623	1,268	1,986	1,934	1,801	2,016	1,797	1,861
March ..	1,965	1,741	3,721	1,623	1,250	2,002	1,945	1,798	2,000	1,809	1,865
April ..	1,966	1,744	3,197	1,623	1,265	2,002	1,917	1,805	2,005	1,795	1,856
May ..	1,966	1,746	3,196	1,623	1,250	2,017	1,920	1,809	2,002	1,801	1,859
June ..	1,966	1,746	3,200	1,623	1,247	2,021	1,922	1,805	1,991	1,803	1,853
1949-50—											
July ..	2,090	1,745	3,313	1,624	1,185	2,021	1,966	1,865	2,057	1,850	1,911
August ..	2,090	1,745	3,385	1,632	1,210	2,053	1,978	1,859	2,066	1,850	1,913
September ..	2,091	1,726	3,327	1,624	1,231	2,079	1,975	1,855	2,040	1,855	1,909
October ..	2,093	1,726	3,665	1,798	1,249	2,080	2,011	1,878	2,086	1,877	1,938
November ..	2,093	1,888	3,864	1,798	1,343	2,081	2,073	1,917	2,171	1,913	1,988
December ..	2,144	1,888	4,239	1,936	1,417	2,081	2,128	1,973	2,208	1,975	2,043
January ..	2,185	1,888	4,935	1,987	1,454	2,409	2,249	1,929	2,322	1,972	2,074
February ..	2,185	1,897	4,900	1,994	1,459	2,409	2,250	1,991	2,369	2,001	2,109
March ..	2,185	1,901	4,804	2,001	1,511	2,427	2,252	1,989	2,355	2,006	2,109
April ..	2,189	1,901	4,984	2,001	1,544	2,440	2,267	2,185	2,364	2,164	2,222
May ..	2,189	1,901	5,353	2,001	1,686	2,440	2,295	2,136	2,354	2,149	2,208
June ..	2,193	1,904	5,254	2,006	1,825	2,446	2,299	2,172	2,377	2,169	2,229
1950-51—											
July ..	2,220	1,904	5,304	2,302	1,771	2,446	2,335	2,144	2,359	2,178	2,231
			(b)				(b)			(b)	(b)
August (b) ..	2,240	1,904	7,371	2,318	1,914	2,449	2,468	2,195	2,403	2,285	2,319
September (b) ..	2,274	1,904	7,524	2,355	2,205	2,452	2,505	2,195	2,422	2,301	2,336
October (b) ..	2,377	1,904	7,528	2,361	2,751	2,460	2,566	2,209	2,468	2,331	2,372
November (b) ..	2,462	1,904	7,968	2,363	3,051	2,540	2,648	2,246	2,503	2,399	2,429
December (b) ..	2,557	1,904	8,048	2,394	3,377	2,549	2,703	2,199	2,547	2,280	2,429

(a) Represents only such imported commodities as are included in the wholesale price index. This index does not measure changes in price of imports generally.

(b) See note at foot of following page.

PRIMARY PRODUCTION PRICE INDEX-NUMBERS.

The annual index-numbers in the following table have been recomputed to the base average 3 years ended June, 1939 = 1,000 from the revised series published in *Production Bulletin*, Part II. They are based in general on prices realized in the principal markets of Australia.

The monthly index-numbers (based on the nearest equivalent wholesale quotations) are intended progressively to forecast the point which the annual index-numbers will eventually reach, and so provide a preliminary figure for the latest full year pending the completion of the annual census of production. The preliminary index-numbers will be revised as each production census is completed.

(Base of each Group : Average 3 years ended June, 1939 = 1,000.)

Period.	Agricultural.	Pastoral.	Farmyard and Dairying.	All Farming.	Mining other than Gold.(a)	Gold.(a)	All Groups.
1936-37	1,111	1,104	929	1,073	982	993	1,064
1937-38	993	1,018	1,012	1,009	1,085	996	1,015
1938-39	896	878	1,059	918	933	1,011	922
1943-44	1,331	1,327	1,213	1,307	1,298	1,199	1,303
1944-45	1,636	1,320	1,200	1,407	1,367	1,205	1,399
1945-46	1,582	1,331	1,240	1,401	1,493	1,227	1,404
1946-47	1,810	1,786	1,313	1,705	1,752	1,234	1,697
1947-48	2,430	2,483	1,477	2,276	2,385	1,234	2,257
1948-49	2,165	2,954	1,807	2,464	3,060	1,234	2,481
1949-50(b)	2,493	3,713	1,915	2,950	3,724	1,393	2,973
1949-50—(b)							
January	2,491	4,182	1,873	3,158	3,765	1,776	3,130
February	2,498	4,042	1,984	3,117	3,768	1,776	3,104
March	2,498	3,995	1,989	3,096	3,716	1,776	3,098
April	2,503	4,431	1,986	3,300	3,721	1,776	3,301
May	2,502	4,682	1,996	3,417	3,842	1,776	3,402
June	2,525	4,635	1,996	3,403	3,868	1,776	3,388
1950-51—(b)							
July	2,503	4,577	1,993	3,368	3,881	1,776	3,359
August	2,510	6,218	2,005	4,132	4,069	1,776	4,039
September	2,537	6,382	1,950	4,207	4,543	1,776	4,101
October	2,558	6,379	1,947	4,213	5,636	1,776	4,106
November	2,572	6,829	1,953	4,427	5,121	1,776	4,307
December	2,559	6,813	1,962	4,417	5,305	1,776	4,300
1st Six months, 1949-50(b)	2,482	3,098	1,860	2,651	(c) 3,724	(c) 1,393	2,708
1st Six months, 1950-51(b)	2,540	6,200	1,968	4,127	(d) 4,220	(d) 1,776	4,035

(a) Year ended previous December. (b) Preliminary figures. (See note at head of table.)
(c) Twelve months, 1949. (d) Twelve months, 1950.

Note (b)—

WHOLESALE PRICE INDEX-NUMBERS.

BASIC MATERIALS AND FOODSTUFFS.

Legislation which became effective on 14th December, 1950, had the effect of reducing (by bounty) the price paid for raw wool for local manufacture in Australia below the open market (auction room) price. Such reductions were virtually retrospective to August, 1950. The index published on page 102 hereof is calculated on the auction room prices for wool. Below are shown these same indexes re-calculated on the approximate effective prices paid for raw wool for local manufacture, i.e., auction room price less bounty. Only the four columns marked (b) on page 102 are affected and only these are re-calculated below:—

Period.	Textiles.	Total Basic Materials.	Goods Principally Home Produced.	Total All Groups.
1950-51—				
August	5,579	2,366	2,218	2,273
September	5,434	2,385	2,223	2,282
October	5,438	2,447	2,255	2,317
November	5,878	2,528	2,322	2,374
December	5,957	2,584	2,302	2,374

EXPORT PRICE INDEX-NUMBERS.

These index-numbers are compiled from the prices of 20 commodities which constitute at present about 80 per cent. of all exports. For some metals and for wheat (since July, 1945), the index of prices is deduced from average value of current sales or shipments and hence shows some irregularity.

SIMPLE AGGREGATIVE INDEX: FIXED WEIGHTS.

In this index the prices of the commodities are multiplied by the average annual exports (production in the case of gold) during the three years 1933-34 to 1935-36.

(Base of each Section: Average 3 years ended June, 1939 = 100.)

Period.	Wool.	Wheat.	Butter	Metals. (a)	Meats. (b)	Sugar.	Dried Fruits. (c)	Tal- low.	Hides. (d)	Gold.	All Groups.	
											Ex- clud- ing Gold.	In- clud- ing Gold.
(e) ..	45.63	17.06	11.36	6.83	6.63	2.40	1.81	0.64	0.66	6.98		
(f) ..	49.05	18.34	12.21	7.34	7.13	2.58	1.94	0.69	0.72		100.00	100.00
1936-37 ..	122	123	92	120	98	104	103	122	113	99	116	114
1937-38 ..	99	111	107	96	107	93	103	100	100	98	102	102
1938-39 ..	79	66	101	84	96	104	94	78	87	103	82	83
1943-44 ..	117	116	114	113	113	159	121	123	151	119	117	117
1944-45 ..	117	154	147	129	122	172	128	151	147	120	130	130
1945-46 ..	117	213	147	196	123	213	137	161	152	122	148	146
1946-47 ..	173	305	173	308	139	264	152	361	334	122	209	203
1947-48 ..	287	420	193	372	146	320	157	436	364	122	296	283
1948-49 ..	365	413	233	478	171	343	162	499	421	122	348	332
1949-50 ..	473	400	250	421	196	369	176	400	479	164	399	383
1948-49—												
January ..	400	397	233	551	176	345	157	511	442	122	368	351
February ..	411	383	233	551	176	345	157	511	471	122	371	353
March ..	(g)411	379	233	535	176	345	171	511	468	122	370	353
April ..	332	380	233	458	176	345	171	511	482	122	325	311
May ..	336	371	233	452	176	345	172	511	481	122	325	311
June ..	339	365	233	449	176	345	172	511	462	122	326	311
1949-50—												
July ..	(g)339	362	250	330	186	345	172	511	443	122	319	305
August ..	(g)347	367	250	370	186	345	172	511	446	122	327	313
September ..	339	377	250	388	186	345	172	511	451	144	326	314
October ..	392	378	250	454	200	345	172	363	466	176	357	345
November ..	419	382	250	441	200	345	172	363	482	176	370	357
December ..	456	394	250	427	200	345	172	363	499	176	390	375
January ..	562	395	250	432	200	394	172	363	500	176	444	425
February ..	536	409	250	435	200	394	172	363	499	176	434	416
March ..	524	420	250	411	200	394	185	363	498	176	429	411
April ..	(g)554	443	250	417	200	394	185	363	490	176	448	429
May ..	611	441	250	456	200	394	185	363	490	176	478	457
June ..	592	435	250	494	200	394	185	363	486	176	471	450
1950-51—												
July ..	(g)592	424	271	496	(h)200	394	187	363	490	176	471	451
August ..	864	423	271	547	(h)200	394	187	363	578	176	609	578
September ..	890	419	271	675	(h)200	394	187	363	632	176	631	599
October ..	890	427	271	681	(h)200	394	187	354	663	176	633	601
November ..	965	436	271	704	(h)200	394	187	354	693	176	674	639
December ..	973	437	271	700	(h)200	394	187	354	719	176	677	643

(a) Silver, copper, tin, zinc, lead.

(b) Beef, lamb, mutton, pork.

(c) Sultanias, lexias, currants.

(d) Cattle hides, calf skins.

(e) Percentage distribution of base aggregate for "All Groups (including Gold)"—applicable from 1936-37.

(f) Percentage distribution of base aggregate for "All Groups (excluding Gold)"—applicable from 1936-37.

(g) Nominal.

(h) Nominal pending new

NOTE.—While the index-numbers above indicate satisfactorily the general trend of the market, they take no account of the relative quantities actually sold at the different prices ruling in each month and consequently do not give an adequate indication of the significance of the price movements as they actually affected current sales. This is shown more accurately by the Export Price Index (Changing Weights), published in the *Monthly Review of Business Statistics* and in the computation of which the "quantity-multipliers" are changed each month.

Section XI.—Miscellaneous.

COMPARATIVE INDEX-NUMBERS FOR THE SIX CAPITAL CITIES COMBINED.

(Base of each Section : Weighted Average of Six Capitals, 1911 = 1,000.)(a)

Period.	Retail Price Index-numbers.						Nominal Wages, Adult Males.	Real Wages. (c)	Percentage of Unem- ployment among Trade Union- ists.
	Food and Grocer- ies.	Housing (4 and 5 Roomed Houses). (b)	Food, Groceries and Housing (4 and 5 Roomed Houses). "B" Series.	Clothing.	Miscel- laneous.	All Items of House- hold Ex- pendi- ture. "C" Series.			
Year—									%
1911	1,000	1,000	1,000	(d)1,000	(d)1,000	(d)1,000	1,000	1,000	4.7
1914	1,144	1,082	1,121	1,140	1,140	1,140	1,081	948	8.3
1921	1,902	1,410	1,717	1,883	1,537	1,680	1,826	1,087	11.2
1928	1,761	1,743	1,755	1,507	1,537	1,675	1,963	1,172	10.8
1932	1,425	1,336	1,390	1,215	1,458	1,377	1,639	1,190	29.0
1938	1,584	1,540	1,568	1,253	1,463	1,488	1,799	1,209	8.7
1939	1,657	1,577	1,626	1,271	1,465	1,526	1,846	1,211	9.7
1942	1,843	1,596	1,742	1,977	1,693	1,809	2,164	1,196	1.6
1943	1,855	1,595	1,749	2,177	1,766	1,876	2,309	1,231	1.1
1944	1,834	1,595	1,737	2,168	1,773	1,867	2,326	1,246	1.2
1945	1,849	1,595	1,746	2,155	1,767	1,868	2,339	1,252	1.2
1946	1,852	1,596	1,748	2,276	1,776	1,900	2,400	1,263	1.4
1947	1,967	1,597	1,816	2,367	1,825	1,971	2,598	1,318	1.2
1948	2,245	1,601	1,982	2,637	1,913	2,148	2,914	1,357	0.9
1949	2,492	1,605	2,128	3,019	2,037	2,349	3,210	1,367	2.0
1950	2,800	1,613	2,313	3,455	2,184	2,589	3,596	1,389	0.8
Quarter—									
1939.									
March	1,673	1,568	1,631	1,258	1,461	1,524	1,826	1,198	9.6
June	1,654	1,575	1,623	1,264	1,461	1,522	1,847	1,214	9.5
September ..	1,645	1,582	1,620	1,264	1,463	1,520	1,854	1,220	10.2
December ..	1,657	1,584	1,628	1,297	1,472	1,536	1,858	1,210	9.3
1944.									
March	1,824	1,595	1,731	2,167	1,775	1,864	2,322	1,246	1.0
June	1,834	1,595	1,737	2,160	1,773	1,865	2,322	1,245	1.4
September ..	1,852	1,595	1,748	2,166	1,772	1,873	2,327	1,242	1.2
December ..	1,827	1,595	1,733	2,180	1,770	1,867	2,332	1,249	1.2
1945.									
March	1,838	1,595	1,739	2,149	1,767	1,863	2,333	1,252	1.1
June	1,854	1,595	1,749	2,141	1,767	1,866	2,336	1,252	1.1
September ..	1,860	1,595	1,752	2,140	1,767	1,868	2,340	1,253	1.2
December ..	1,842	1,595	1,742	2,189	1,767	1,874	2,348	1,253	1.2
1946.									
March	1,853	1,595	1,748	2,201	1,772	1,881	2,354	1,251	1.4
June	1,863	1,595	1,754	2,259	1,776	1,900	2,360	1,242	1.3
September ..	1,839	1,596	1,741	2,299	1,776	1,902	2,378	1,250	1.4
December ..	1,854	1,596	1,750	2,343	1,781	1,918	2,507	1,307	1.4
1947.									
March	1,915	1,596	1,785	2,305	1,798	1,933	2,527	1,307	1.4
June	1,945	1,597	1,803	2,319	1,802	1,948	2,545	1,306	1.2
September ..	1,974	1,597	1,820	2,367	1,846	1,978	2,630	1,330	1.1
December ..	2,035	1,598	1,857	2,478	1,853	2,026	2,690	1,328	0.9
1948.									
March	2,128	1,599	1,912	2,511	1,874	2,071	2,781	1,343	0.9
June	2,197	1,600	1,953	2,600	1,900	2,121	2,854	1,346	0.9
September ..	2,278	1,601	2,001	2,688	1,935	2,175	2,970	1,366	0.9
December ..	2,378	1,602	2,060	2,748	1,944	2,225	3,050	1,371	0.8
1949.									
March	2,433	1,603	2,093	2,795	1,985	2,263	3,099	1,369	0.8
June	2,482	1,604	2,122	2,968	2,017	2,328	3,182	1,367	0.8
September ..	2,497	1,606	2,131	3,089	2,047	2,370	3,249	1,371	5.5
December ..	2,555	1,608	2,167	3,223	2,098	2,433	3,310	1,360	0.8
1950.									
March	2,633	1,609	2,213	3,259	2,134	2,474	3,372	1,363	0.8
June	2,718	1,611	2,264	3,418	2,151	2,546	3,458	1,358	0.8
September ..	2,828	1,614	2,330	3,501	2,180	2,609	3,545	1,359	0.8
December ..	3,020	1,618	2,444	3,643	2,271	2,726	4,009	1,471	0.7

(a) The index-numbers given in the separate columns of the table cannot be compared with each other in order to show, for example, the relative cost of housing and food and groceries, since the cost in 1911 in each group or combination of groups is made equal to 1,000.

(b) See footnote (b) on page 94. (c) Index of nominal weekly wage rates divided by "C" Series Retail Price Index-number. (d) Taken back from true base November, 1914 = 1,000 by means of the Food and Rent (All Houses) Index.

STATISTICAL SUMMARY—AUSTRALIA.

Heading.	Years.							
	1881.	1891.	1901.	1911.	1921.	1931.	1941.	1949.
POPULATION (a)—Males ..	1,247,059	1,736,617	2,004,836	2,382,232	2,799,462	3,332,577	3,598,644	4,050,545
Females ..	1,059,677	1,504,368	1,820,077	2,191,554	2,711,532	3,220,029	3,544,954	4,000,337
Total ..	2,306,736	3,240,985	3,824,913	4,573,786	5,510,994	6,552,606	7,143,598	8,050,882
MARRIAGES—Number ..	17,244	23,862	27,753	39,482	46,869	38,882	75,148	72,999
Rate ..	7.60	7.47	7.32	8.79	8.59	5.96	10.67	9.23
BIRTHS—Number ..	80,004	110,187	102,945	122,193	136,198	118,509	134,525	181,261
Rate ..	35.26	34.47	27.16	27.21	24.95	18.16	18.92	22.91
DEATHS—Number ..	33,327	47,430	46,330	47,869	54,076	56,560	71,176	75,260
Rate ..	14.69	14.84	12.22	10.66	9.91	8.67	10.01	9.51
	1881-82.	1891-92.	1901-02.	1911-12.	1921-22.	1931-32.	1941-42.	1949-50.(b)
AGRICULTURE—								
Wheat—Area '000 acres	2,996	3,335	5,116	7,428	9,719	14,741	12,003	12,240
Yield '000 bus.	21,444	25,675	38,562	71,636	129,089	190,612	166,713	218,222
Average yield bus.	7.16	7.70	7.54	9.64	13.28	12.93	13.89	17.83
Oats—Area '000 acres	195	246	461	617	733	1,085	1,460	1,748
Yield '000 bus.	4,796	5,726	9,790	9,562	12,147	15,195	22,302	27,421
Average yield bus.	24.62	23.27	21.22	15.50	16.56	14.00	15.27	15.69
Barley—Area '000 acres	75,864	68,068	74,511	116,466	298,910	342,399	784,253	1,040,081
Yield '000 bus.	1,353	1,179	1,520	2,057	6,086	6,291	18,004	19,543
Average yield bus.	17.84	17.31	20.40	17.66	20.36	18.37	22.96	18.79
Maize—Area '000 acres	165,777	284,428	294,849	340,065	305,186	269,448	301,360	194,052
Yield '000 bus.	5,726	9,262	7,035	8,940	7,840	7,062	7,436	6,313
Average yield bus.	34.54	32.56	23.86	26.29	25.69	26.21	24.67	32.53
Hay—Area '000 acres	768	942	1,688	2,518	2,995	2,635	2,758	1,605
Yield '000 tons	767	1,067	2,025	2,868	3,902	3,167	3,575	2,437
Average yield tons	1.00	1.13	1.20	1.14	1.30	1.20	1.30	1.52
Potatoes—Area '000 acres	(c) 76,265	112,884	109,685	130,463	149,144	145,111	99,324	134,006
Yield '000 tons	(c) 243,216	380,477	322,524	301,489	388,091	397,102	332,727	474,092
Average yield tons	(c) 3.19	3.37	2.94	2.31	2.60	2.74	3.35	3.54
Sugar-cane—Area (d) acres	19,708	45,444	86,950	101,010	128,356	241,576	254,564	281,329
Yield '000 tons	350	738	1,368	1,682	2,437	4,213	5,154	6,849
Av. yield tons	17.74	16.23	15.73	16.65	18.99	17.44	20.25	24.35
Vineyards—Area acres	14,569	48,882	63,677	60,602	92,414	112,961	129,739	135,764
Wine '000 gal.	1,438	3,438	5,262	4,975	8,543	14,191	16,045	32,634
Total net value of all agricultural production £'000	(e) 15,519	(e) 16,988	(e) 23,835	(e) 38,774	(e) 81,890	49,714	62,412	(k) 151,463
PASTORAL, DAIRYING, ETC.—								
Live Stock—Horses '000	1,088	1,585	1,620	2,278	2,438	1,776	1,611	1,057
Cattle "	8,011	11,112	8,491	11,829	14,441	12,261	13,561	14,640
Sheep "	65,093	106,421	72,040	96,886	86,119	110,619	125,189	112,891
Pigs "	703	846	931	1,111	960	1,168	1,477	1,123
Wool production(f) '000 lb.	(h) 319,649	(h) 634,046	(h) 539,395	(h) 798,391	723,059	1,007,455	1,167,158	1,107,959
Butter " " tons	(g) "	(h) 18,891	(h) 46,316	(h) 94,676	(h) 119,228	174,665	167,631	173,182
Cheese " " "	(g) "	(h) 4,523	(h) 5,288	(h) 7,092	(h) 14,577	14,028	30,143	44,859
Meat(i)—								
Beef and Veal "	(g) "	(g) "	(g) "	(g) "	339,495	349,835	533,502	608,834
Mutton and lamb "	(g) "	(g) "	(g) "	(g) "	218,381	307,277	371,726	357,227
Pork "	(g) "	(g) "	(g) "	(g) "	11,060	22,746	58,086	33,103
Bacon and Ham "	(g) "	(h) 7,487	(h) 15,188	(h) 23,810	26,173	31,751	42,464	38,039
Total "	(g) "	(g) "	(g) "	(g) "	608,196	727,484	1,027,010	1,050,899
Total net value of—								
Pastoral production £'000	e29,538	(e) 39,256	(e) 36,890	(e) 72,883	(e) 119,399	43,025	85,358	(k) 244,739
Dairying production "						22,564	34,344	(k) 67,553
	1881.	1891.	1901.	1911.	1921.	1931.	1941.	1948.
MINERAL PRODUCTION—								
Gold " £'000	5,194	5,282	14,018	10,552	4,019	3,564	15,991	(l) 10,812
Silver and lead "	46	3,736	2,249	3,022	1,540	1,444	6,256	21,130
Copper "	714	367	2,215	2,564	804	568	1,505	1,744
Tin "	1,146	561	448	1,210	418	216	1,001	1,000
Zinc "		3	4	1,415	283	513	1,590	5,770
Coal (Black and Brown) "	638	1,912	2,603	3,927	11,015	6,194	11,064	19,993
Total value of all mineral production " £'000	7,820	12,074	21,817	23,303	20,029	13,191	41,690	64,392
FORESTRY PRODUCTION—								
Quantity of local timber								
sawn or hewn—								
'000 sup. ft.	(g)	(g)	452,181	604,794	590,495	236,707	913,675	1,184,088
FACTORIES—								
Number of factories				14,455	18,023	21,657	26,971	40,070
Hands employed				311,710	378,540	336,658	725,342	890,232
Wages paid " £'000	(j)	(j)	(j)	27,528	68,051	55,932	180,052	339,287
Value of production				51,259	121,674	110,982	316,439	568,415
Total value of output "				133,022	320,341	281,646	773,059	1,425,025

(a) At 31st December. (b) Subject to revision. (c) Partly estimated. (d) Productive cane.
(e) Gross value. (f) In terms of greasy. (g) Not available. (h) Year ended December. (i) Bone-in
Weight—in terms of fresh meat; bacon and ham—cured weight. (j) Owing to variation in classification, effective
comparison is impossible. (k) 1948-49. (l) 1949.

Statistical Summary—Australia—continued.

Heading.	Years.							
	1881.	1891.	1901.	1911.	1921-22.	1931-32.	1941-42.	1949-50.
SHIPPING—								
Oversea vessels entered and cleared .. No. '000 tons	3,284 2,549	3,778 4,726	4,028 6,542	4,174 9,985	3,111 9,081	3,057 11,396	2,544 10,768	3,902 17,374
COMMERCE—								
Imports—Oversea								
£'000 f.o.b.	26,480	34,355	38,657	61,008	93,893	51,789	173,593	538,119
Per head £ s. d.	11/13/5	10/15/0	10/4/0	13/11/7	17/0/9	7/18/1	24/6/0	66/17/0
Exports—Oversea								
£'000 f.o.b.	27,528	36,043	49,696	79,482	127,847	108,404	168,977	613,700
Per head £ s. d.	12/2/7	11/5/6	13/2/2	17/13/11	23/4/0	16/10/11	23/13/1	76/4/9
Total—Oversea trade								
£'000 f.o.b.	54,008	70,398	88,353	140,490	221,740	160,193	342,570	1,151,819
Per head .. £ s. d.	23/16/0	22/0/6	23/6/2	31/5/6	40/4/9	24/9/0	47/19/1	143/1/9
Net Customs and Excise duties .. £'000	4,809	7,441	8,657	13,515	27,565	28,525	55,700	143,863
Per head .. £ s. d.	2/2/5	2/6/7	2/5/8	2/19/2	5/0/1	4/7/1	7/15/11	17/17/6
PRINCIPAL OVERSEA EXPORTS								
(a)—								
Wool—Quantity (b) '000 lb.	329,200	640,753	517,929	722,365	945,931	903,488	937,685	1,410,783
Value £'000 f.o.b.	13,173	19,940	15,237	26,071	47,977	32,102	58,041	311,136
Wheat—Quantity '000 bus.	5,365	9,795	20,260	55,148	99,947	127,401	22,313	78,426
Value £'000 f.o.b.	1,190	1,939	2,775	9,642	28,644	19,220	4,645	62,173
Flour—Quantity								
'000 short tons	50	33	97	176	360	611	414	775
Value £'000 f.o.b.	520	328	590	1,392	5,520	3,833	4,191	26,333
Butter—Quantity '000 lb.	1,299	4,240	34,536	101,722	127,347	201,639	130,347	177,340
Value £'000 f.o.b.	39	207	1,448	4,637	7,968	10,250	8,125	24,653
Hides and skins .. "	317	874	1,251	3,227	3,137	2,316	5,982	15,153
Tallow, inedible .. "	644	571	678	1,936	1,442	831	842	1,574
Meats .. "	363	461	2,611	4,303	5,542	6,370	14,094	34,978
Timber (undressed) .. "	118	38	731	1,024	1,158	433	320	1,879
Gold .. "	6,445	5,704	14,316	12,046	3,483	11,893	9,188	1
Silver and lead .. "	58	1,932	2,250	3,213	2,697	2,902	7,434	19,010
Copper .. "	677	418	1,619	2,346	705	472	18	61
Coal .. "	361	646	987	901	1,100	342	259	206
GOVERNMENT RAILWAYS—								
Length of line open .. miles	3,832	9,541	12,579	16,078	23,502	26,959	27,241	27,049
Capital cost .. £'000	42,741	99,764	123,224	152,195	244,353	321,972	322,152 (h)	355,975
Gross revenue .. "	3,910	8,654	11,038	17,848	38,195	37,580	66,482	92,746
Working expenses .. "	2,142	5,630	7,134	10,946	23,188	28,142	51,043	94,677
Per cent. of working expenses on gross revenue %	54.77	65.06	64.63	61.33	78.07	74.88	76.78	102.08
POSTAL—								
Letters and post-cards dealt with .. '000	67,640	157,297	220,853	453,063	561,973	(c) 731,135	921,901	h1,094,281
per head No.	29.61	49.07	58.26	100.90	102.01	(c) 111.62	129.17	(h) 140.31
Newspapers dealt with '000	38,063	85,280	102,727	141,638	140,477	139,502	(c) 177,974	h(c) 240,049
per head No.	16.66	22.61	27.10	31.54	25.50	21.30	(c) 24.94	(h)(c) 30.78
CHEQUE-PAYING BANKS(d)—								
Note circulation .. £'000	3,979	4,417	3,399	3,718	(e) 214	197	167	158
Coin and bullion held .. "	9,108	16,713	19,781	33,471	21,627	1,949	1,533	3,208
Advances .. "	57,733	129,742	86,353	108,579	193,436	227,139	269,944	418,370
Deposits .. "	53,849	98,345	91,487	143,447	(f) 273,867	276,114	386,502	1,007,645
SAVINGS BANKS (g)—								
Total deposits .. £'000	7,854	15,537	30,883	59,394	154,396	197,966	274,275	762,987
Average per head of population .. £ s. d.	3/10/5	4/18/7	8/3/0	13/8/5	28/0/4	30/1/11	38/3/11	93/2/5
					1921.	1931.	1941.	1948.
STATE SCHOOLS—								
Schools .. No.	4,494	6,231	7,012	8,060	9,445	10,097	9,535	7,971
Teachers .. "	9,028	12,564	14,500	16,971	26,120	33,762	32,066	33,287
Enrolment .. "	432,320	561,153	638,478	638,580	819,042	936,901	886,655	928,067
Average attendance .. "	255,143	350,773	450,246	463,799	666,498	817,262	732,116	770,554

(a) Australian produce except gold, which includes re-exports.

(b) In terms of greasy.

(c) Includes packets.

(d) Figures for first three years are average for the December quarter, the remainder for the June quarter. All cheque-paying banks prior to 1931-32, nine trading banks only thereafter.

(e) Decrease due to prohibition of re-issue.

(f) Includes Commonwealth Savings Bank deposits.

(g) First three years at 31st December; remainder 30th June.

(h) 1948-49.

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